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Comment Of The Day

Berlin

THE Soviet memorandum leaves the West little choice but to turn down its ultimatum on Berlin. The idea of a "free" democratically-governed city existing indefinitely in the middle of a hostile state, depending for its livelihood on the consent of the Communists, exposed to and unprotected against every machination and subversion that the West has learnt to expect from the Kremlin, is entirely unthinkable.

Nor can the three occupying powers be bulldozed into negotiating the city's future under threats such as Russia has now emerged in its full seriousness. And although so far only a diplomatic wrangle in the prospect, the Soviet note envisages the grave consequences of Western refusal. An airlift such as America has suggested in the event of an East German blockade would be regarded as "violation of frontiers" and "will immediately arouse appropriate retaliation."

UN Watchdog

ONE report suggests the Russians would not object to the United Nations acting as "watchdog" of West Berlin's freedom. It makes the free city idea no more palatable but there is food for thought here. Obviously the Western reply should deal with Germany as a whole since the unsolved German problem is the major cause of tension in Europe. It might suggest that the entire city of Berlin—East and West—be placed under United Nations administration and control immediately following agreement on free all-German elections. Pending this, four-power control should remain.

A point in favour of the suggestion is that it is a more constructive move than the Russians have made, proposing as it does a preliminary to the solution of the German problem as a whole. That it is unlikely to be accepted by the Russians is no reason why it should not be ventured. The situation is not one which lends itself to a stubborn, negative resistance. The West must stand firm on Berlin's status but it can show Russia that it has ideas of its own on how the difficulty can be overcome.

Tengku's Surprise

TENGKU Abdul Rahman's decision not to take in Chinese Muslim refugees now living in the Colony will be received in Hongkong with sharp disappointment. His reason—that the refugees "ceased to be of any concern to us as they do not present any big problem"—is puzzling. The Tengku knew when he visited Hongkong that there were only a few here. Presumably if there had been 2,000 or 20,000 instead of 200 wanting resettlement, the Tengku would never have offered them resettlement in Malaya. Hongkong will agree that a couple of hundred refugees more or less makes little difference. In the total aggregate of misery, hardship and poverty that is the lot of these people. But surely the Tengku's gesture was not to Hongkong but to the Moslem refugee themselves. Their wretched plight continues if they stay here. Surely that is a matter of concern to all Moslems, whatever their nationality.

MERGER PLAN FOR BANKS

Shareholders To Decide On Future Of Mercantile And Hongkong Banks

Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the Mercantile Bank will soon be asked to consider a share exchange offer to be made by the HK and S'hai Bank for the whole of the share capital of the Mercantile Bank.

The Boards of the two banks will both be meeting on December 2 to decide on a final dividend for 1958. The share exchange offer will be considered at a later meeting. The move became known this morning as a result of a cable from London, and was confirmed by the Adviser to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Mr G. O. W. Stewart.

Stronger Group
He agreed that if this move is successfully concluded the result will be "a rather stronger group." He added, "However, quite a lot of things have still to be done before this is possible."

First of all the shareholders of the HK and Shanghai Bank will be asked by the Board to increase the bank's capital, which at present stands at \$50,000,000.

Then the shareholders of the Mercantile Bank will be asked

whether they wish to merge with the HK and Shanghai Bank, by letting the Hongkong Bank buy shares in the Mercantile Bank.

When and if this is completed, the shareholders of the two banks must then agree before the amalgamation can become a fait accompli.

Branches

Mr Stewart said, "In modern business it has been the tendency for two or more business concerns to amalgamate. This has been happening in banks too."

"Should the two local banks merge, they will still be run as a separate entity by their own head offices. But it may be possible to amalgamate offices where both banks have offices in the same place."

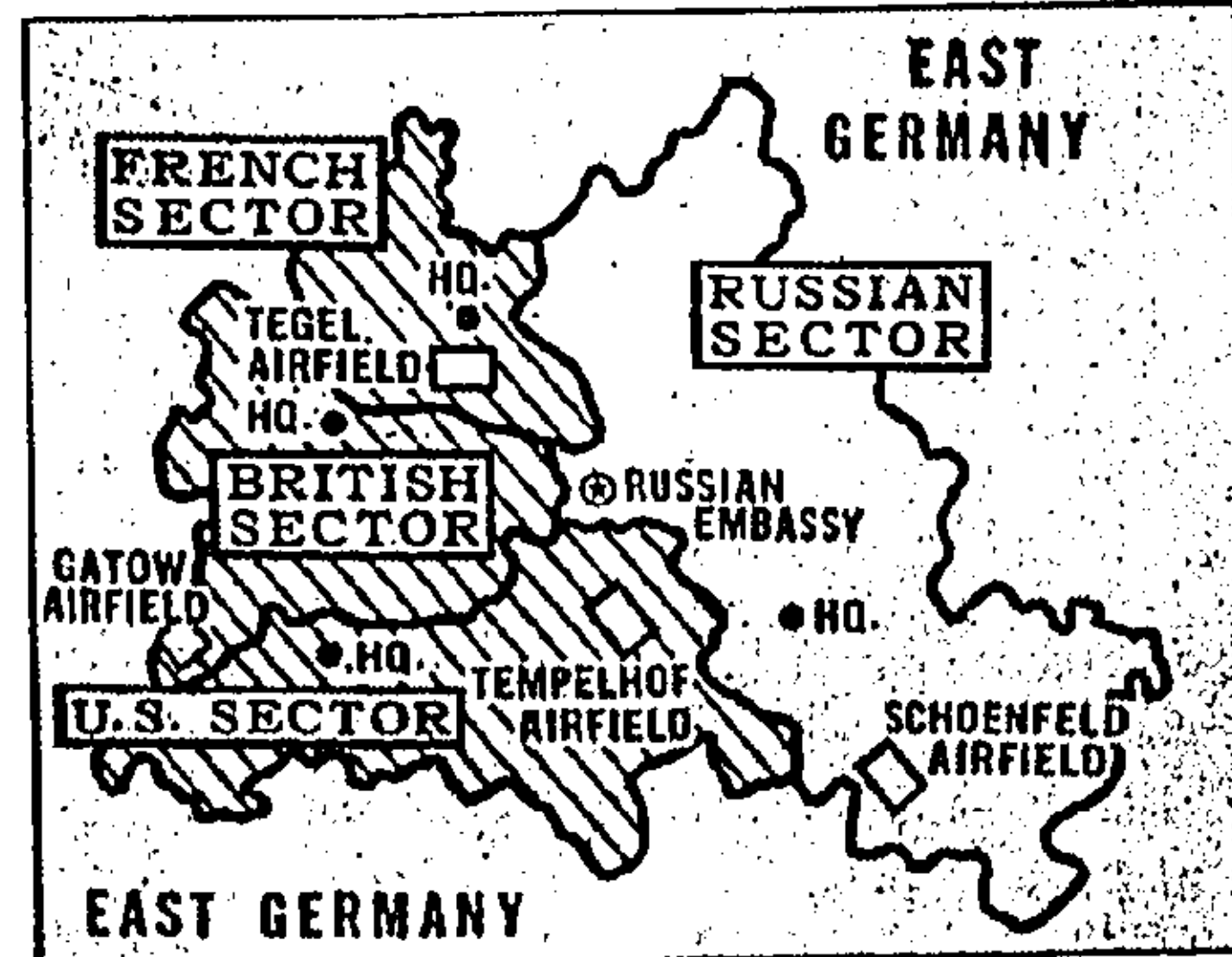
"In this move," Mr Stewart concluded, "shareholders are the dominant factor."

Nuclear Experts Visit Colony For A-Station

BUT "STILL A LONG WAY OFF"

Experts in nuclear power generation have visited Hongkong for talks with the management of China Light and Power Co Ltd "and we are co-operating with others in exploring the possibilities of a nuclear generating station for the Colony," said the Chairman Mr Lawrence Kadoorie.

The Divided City



America Rejects Russian Berlin Proposal

Washington, Nov. 27.

A State Department communique today rejected the Soviet proposal to turn Berlin into a "free city" but added that the Government would study the Soviet note carefully and consult America's allies on it.

Low Vote In UK By-Election

London, Nov. 27.

Only twenty-five per cent of the electorate voted today when the Labour Party retained the seat of Shore-ditch, a poor London suburb, in a parliamentary by-election.

The by-election was caused by the elevation to the peerage of the Labour member for Shore-ditch, Victor Collins. Labour candidate, Michael Cliffe, beat his Conservative opponent Thomas Whitlam today by 10,214 votes to 3,219. Heavy rain was presumed to be the reason for the poor turnout. In the 1955 general elections, the Labour candidate polled 23,500 votes to 8,210 for the Conservative in a 65 per cent turnout.—France-Press.

Faults Found In New Atomic Reactor

Riso, Nov. 27.

Officials of Denmark's atomic research station here said today that faults had been discovered in an atomic reactor due to start operating within the next few weeks.

Sixteen of the 20 graphite reflector elements in the reactor—built largely from American manufactured equipment—are leaking, the officials said. "There was a possibility of catastrophic results," it was stated. The atomic station states it will cost 60,000 kroner (about £3,000), to rectify the faults.—Reuter.

The State Department said that "the Soviets seem to be proposing that while they keep their grip on East Berlin, the three Western Allies abandon their rights in West Berlin and retire in favour of what is called a free city."

The United States will not agree to a unilateral "repudiation of Berlin," the statement said.

No Agreement
Nor will the United States "enter into any agreement with the Soviet Union which, whatever the form, would have the end result of abandoning the people of West Berlin to hostile domination," the statement added.

It said: "The United States, along with Britain and France, is solemnly committed to the security of the Western sectors of Berlin. Two and a quarter million Western Berliners in reliance thereon have convincingly and courageously demonstrated the good fruits of freedom."

But the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, and other American officials do not want to seem to act hastily, and the United States "will consult with the British and French Governments as well as with the Federal Republic of Germany," the statement said.—France-Press.

GAPS IN NOTES

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Rodzinski Dies

Boston, Nov. 27.

Dr. Arthur Rodzinski, one of America's most famous orchestra conductors, died tonight at Massachusetts General Hospital of a heart ailment. He was 64.—U.P.I.

Russian Warning

United Nations, Nov. 27.

Russia warned today that it will block all efforts to enlarge the Security Council and other U.N. bodies until Communist China is admitted to the United Nations.—U.P.I.

HK—Berlin Of The East Says Grantham

London, Nov. 27.

Hongkong, in giving sanctuary to hundreds of thousands of people fleeing from tyranny, was in a sense the Berlin of the East, Sir Alexander Grantham said tonight.

Speaking at a meeting of the Royal Commonwealth Society here, Sir Alexander, former Governor of the British Colony, off mainland China, said Hongkong was of unique use to both the Communist Chinese authorities and the Western world.

For the Chinese it was "their only peephole into the free world—they have no other peephole into the free world."

Listening Post

For the West, "Hongkong is the best listening post there is into China, and even the Nationalists in Formosa will accept that."

Discussing the Colony's future, he pointed out that Hongkong as a British Colony "is quite a lot of use" to the Communists.

Communist China had the full advantage of all the Colony's facilities, like banking, shipping and insurance, used its port for freighting purposes and gained a great deal of foreign exchange from the sale of foodstuffs, he said.

If China ever attacked Hongkong, "they would find an empty city—and Hongkong is only of use in peace time as a going concern."

Advantages

There would seem to be few advantages from the Chinese point of view in making an attack on Hongkong because, by the expiry of the lease on the New Territories—source of the Colony's water supplies—"they might reasonably expect to get it back as a going concern in 1997."



SIR ALEXANDER
Hongkong is defensible

He added, "And here I almost forgot to say one thing, and that is this: Hongkong is defensible. You can get a great many good authorities on that, both British and American."

Speaking of the impact of a Communist Government in China, he said: "From the purely Hongkong point of view, not from the United Kingdom point of view, the great difference was not that it was a Communist regime but the fact that, compared with any of its preceding regimes it was a strong one."

The attitude of the Peking Government to Hongkong had gone through various phases, said Sir Alexander, who was (Cont'd on Back Page Col. 3)

Spectacular 30-Car Pile-Up In America

Chicago, Nov. 27.

A northern California fog led to a 30-car pile-up near San Francisco today, injuring 32 persons in the most spectacular of the traffic accidents which marred the Thanksgiving holiday scene.

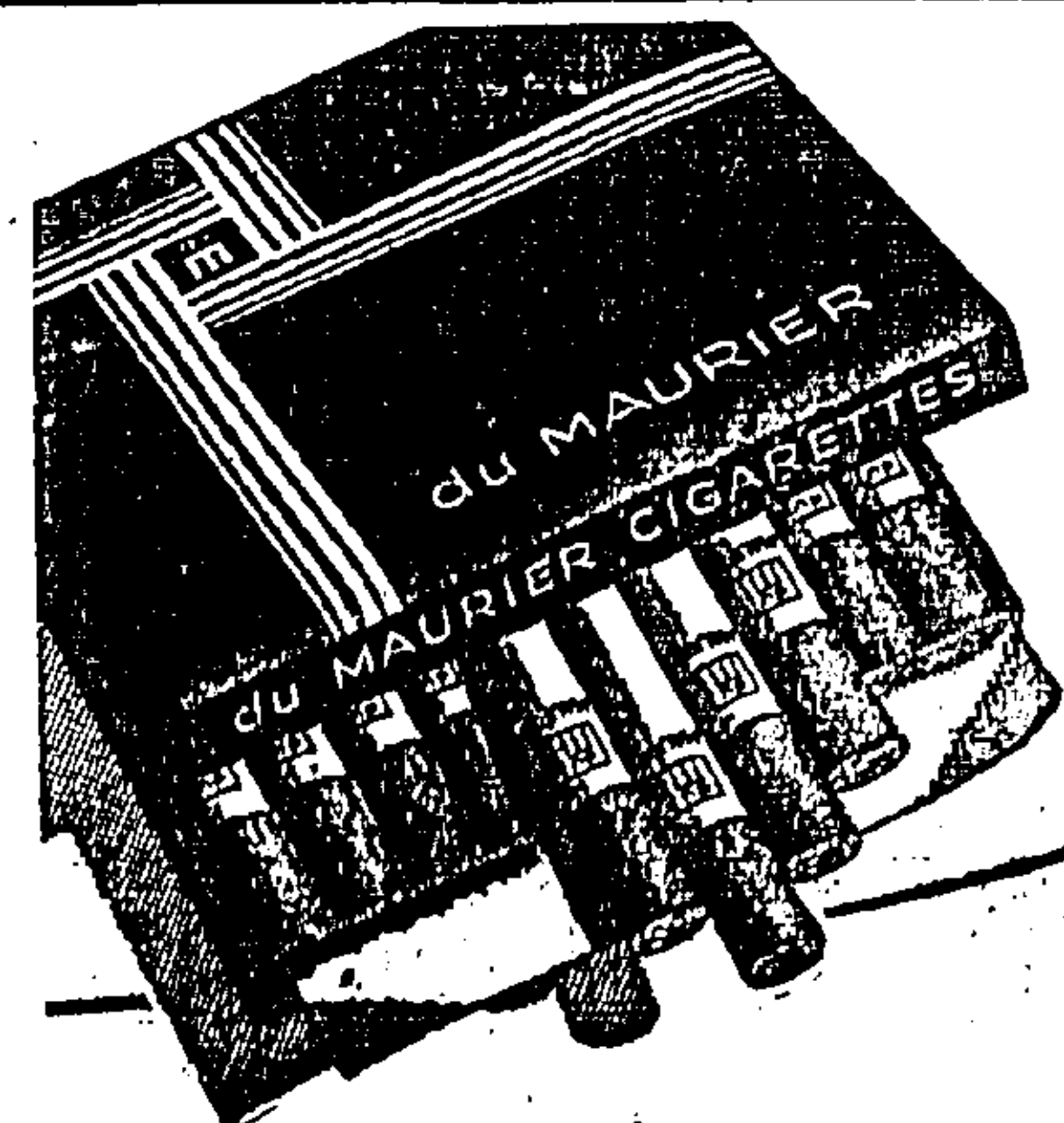
The fog was part of the bad weather which subdued the joys of travelling in many parts of the U.S. but traffic was reported heavy in spots.

The highway death rate appeared encouragingly low and mounted slowly, running at slightly less than three deaths per hour since the official holiday count showed a traffic toll of 71.

FIRE TOLL

In addition, fires claimed 12 lives, 10 of them children; one person died in a plane crash and 13 others in various accidents for an overall holiday toll of 97. Fog along the coast in California shut down airports and was responsible for the multiple smash-up at the south end of the new Carquinez Bridge, 25 miles northeast of San Francisco. Three of the 32 persons hurt were in serious condition.

The California highway patrol said a car went out of control on the moisture-slickened highway about 6 a.m. and went broadside across a dividing strip, approaching drivers found themselves in a series of collisions when they tried to halt.—U.P.I.



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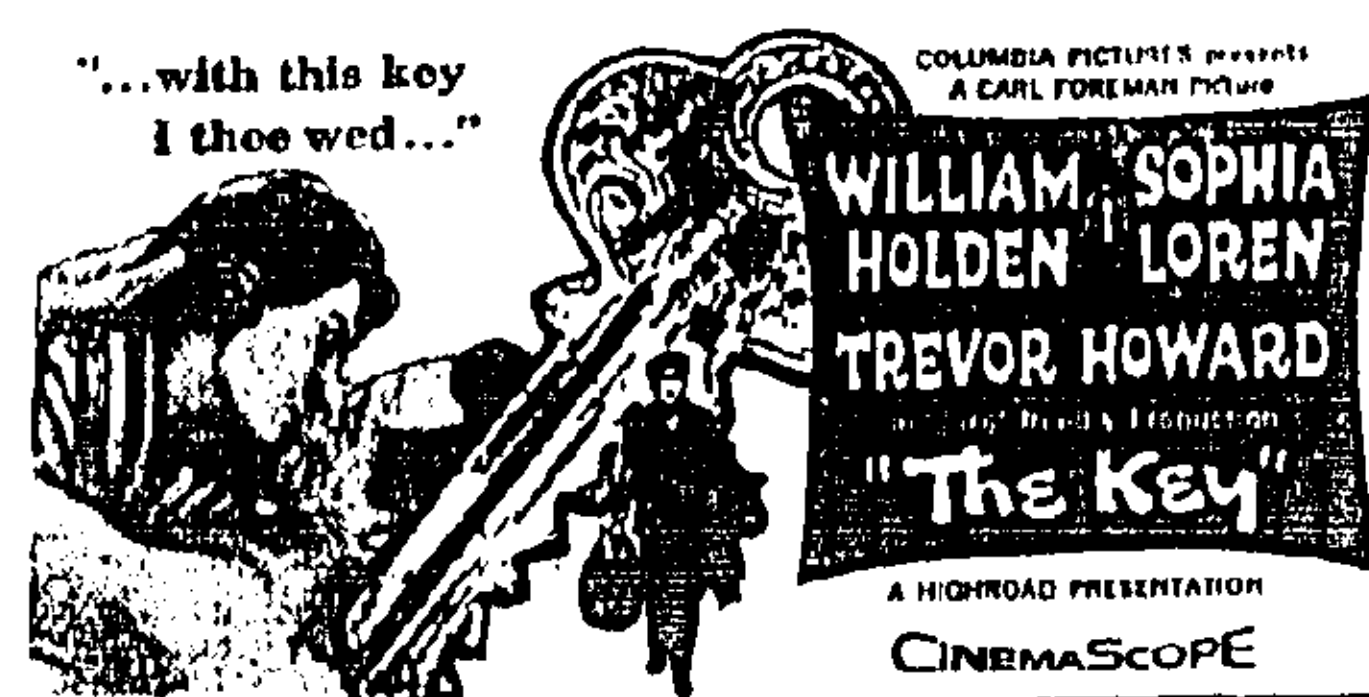
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NATO COUNTRIES MOVE INTO ATOM ERA

Says Allied Supreme Chief

Paris, Nov. 27.

General Lauris Norstad, Allied Supreme Commander in Europe, said to-night the North Atlantic Community was moving very rapidly into a completely new era of organisation and of rocket and nuclear weapons.

In an interview with David Schoonbrun, Paris correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System, he said 1958 will mark a critical point in the course of equipment and the development of the Nato forces because it is in this year that we really started equipping the Allied Forces with the new weapons.

Outlining achievements of 1958, he said: "We introduced into the forces of several of the Nato countries the carriers, the vehicles, the equipment which could deliver nuclear weapons."

"We have trained the forces of several of the Nato countries in the use of these particular vehicles," he added.

Asked how many of the Nato countries have started to receive atomic capability, General Norstad said that at present, the

Rebel Leader Critically Ill

Havana, Nov. 27.

Fidel Castro, bearded young leader of the two-year-old revolution which now has the Batista Government fighting for its life, urgently needs a surgical operation.

Castro soon will attempt to leave the country, according to a reliable source close to the government.

This source revealed that the government has been set to catch the insurgent's Supreme Commander whose life is reported to depend on his receiving the best surgical treatment immediately.

If Castro leaves Cuba, he will probably be flown to Mexico, where his invasion force trained for his first landing here on December 2, 1956 or to Venezuela where the Castro revolution also has many important and influential sympathisers.

Light After Gloom

This report of Castro's need for surgical attention is perhaps part of the reason for the optimism noted in government circles in recent days, which came in definite contrast to the gloom of previous weeks. Another reason for the optimism of the Batista regime taking new heart, however, is the fact that since the November 3 elections, the government troops have been gradually taking the initiative against the Castro rebels. Rebel radio broadcasts continue to claim victories on all fronts but official communiques show 1,000 rebels have been killed since the beginning of this month.—France-Press.



GENERAL NORSTAD

equipment in one form or another is available to about half of the countries.

"But that figure will be good in three months because I would say that within the next three to six months, most of the countries will have some type of the equipment," General Norstad added.

He said Nato proposed to increase by 1963 its present 30 battalions of missile-equipped forces to about 100 battalions.—Reuter.

TORTURE

Damascus, Nov. 27. Local Press reports charged today that Jordanian authorities tortured to death a Jordanian nationalist arrested for having anti-government leaflets.

They said Shemakh Kayyali was arrested on November 8 and died on November 21. They said five Jordanian doctors certified his death was caused by torture. King Hussein's uncle, Sheriff Nassef Ben Jmal, and other high officials did the torturing, the reports charged.—U.P.I.

French Wild Bull Retires

Paris, Nov. 27.

Former Premier Edouard Daladier, the last surviving "Man of Munich," bitterly withdrew from politics today, a victim of the Gaullist electoral tide.

M. Daladier, aged 74, resigned as Mayor of Avignon, a job under the French system went hand-in-hand with being Deputy from the Vaucluse Department.

He had been in the National Assembly 40 years, "The Wild Bull of the Vaucluse." But in Sunday's primary elections he ran third among

the candidates, and to have maintained his candidacy in next week's run-off would have risked not only possible humiliating defeat for himself but also victory for the Communist candidate.

So yesterday he withdrew. Today he resigned as Mayor also, saying, "In all France a

new Right wing, aggressive and hidebound, triumphs in covering itself with the name and prestige of General de Gaulle.

"The formation of a new government will be difficult. Soon, doubtless, fearsome adventures will come."

He indicated he was quitting politics for good.—U.P.I.

Guest Churchill Now Host



Mr and Mrs Aristotle Onassis flew into London from Paris last week to spend the weekend with Sir Winston and Lady Churchill at Chartwell.

Sir Winston is returning the hospitality he received as Mr Onassis's guest in the luxury yacht Christina in the Mediterranean during the early autumn.

Picture shows Mrs Onassis at London Airport.

Lim Calls For Dynamic Purpose

Singapore, Nov. 28. Singapore Chief Minister Lim Yew Hock on Thursday night called on the people of Singapore to give the new constitution a "dynamic purpose and direction to prove that we have not over-estimated our determination and capacity to succeed."

Mr Lim made the appeal in a radio broadcast after the publication yesterday of the Singapore (Constitution) Order in Council which revokes the present Renda Constitution and creates a State of Singapore to be headed by a Malayan.

Elections

The new constitution, which follows closely the agreement reached between a Singapore anti-Party delegation and the British Government last May, will go into operation after the general elections scheduled to be held early next year.

Lim said that Singapore's defence and foreign affairs would remain with the British Government until such time as Singapore merged with the Federation of Malaya "when we will share their independence in foreign policy and foreign affairs."—France-Press.

GAPS IN RED NOTE CAUSE SURPRISES

London, Nov. 27.

Surprising apparent historical omissions were noted by observers here in today's Soviet note to the West on the position of Berlin.

On a first study of the full text the two most striking omissions were seen here as concerning:

• The Soviet explanation of the absence of an alliance against Nazi Germany just before and in the early stages of the last World War.

• The Soviet account of the breakdown of Four Power control of Germany as envisaged in the 1945 Potsdam Agreement.

Nazi-Red Pact

In charging that the Western powers failed to see the need for an early alliance with Russia against Nazi Germany, the Soviets fail to mention the conclusion on August 23, 1939, of the Nazi-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact.

The Soviet note also claims that it was only the fact of the Nazi invasion of Norway, Den-

mark and the Low Countries and the fall of France in the summer of 1940 which brought the United States and Britain to organise jointly with Russia the "resistance to Fascist Germany."

This account omits the fact that it was not until the summer of 1941 when Nazi Germany, despite the non-aggression pact with Russia, invaded the Soviet Union, that the East-West Grand Alliance came into being, observers here said.

Breakdown

The breakdown of the Potsdam Agreement in effect dated from the failure of the London session of the Four Power Council of Foreign Ministers in December, 1947.

The actual cause of the breakdown of this conference is seen by observers here as the dispute over whether the Soviet Government was entitled to exact reparations from current production from its zone of Germany.

The Western Foreign Ministers at this conference were reported to have maintained that extraction of reparations on one zone of Germany from current production would falsify the undertaking of the four powers in the Potsdam Agreement, quoted in the Soviet note, that must be treated as an economic whole.

Turning Point

The Western powers also claimed that this practice of the Soviet authorities in their occupation zone cut across the reparations provisions of Potsdam which stated that reparations were to consist in reparations of capital equipment.

The breakdown of the Potsdam Agreement on this issue is seen here as the turning point which led to the separate development of East and West Germany.—Reuter.

Rock Hudson Hurt

Malibu, Cal., Nov. 27. Film star Rock Hudson suffered a slight facial injury today in a two-car crash outside his weekend retreat but refused medical attention.—U.P.I.

Hot Fence Makes Rebels Jumpy

Paris, Nov. 27.

Reports from North Africa today confirmed that serious disorders had recently broken out in the ranks of the Algerian rebel National Liberation Front in Tunisia.

The cause of the dissension was the effectiveness of the French-built electrified barbed wire fence along the Algerian-Tunisian border, known as the "Morice Line," the reports said.

The decision by Algerian Defense Minister Krim Abdel Kacem to force the electrified barrier on November 1, resulted in more or less open disobedience from military leaders who were reluctant to lead their men into the fence with its protective artillery batteries and "interior" Minister Alkhadar Benboual and accepting French Premier Charles de Gaulle's proposals for a cease-fire, the reports said.

Military leader, General Lamouri gathered around him all those who were dissatisfied and tried to turn the dissension into a plot aimed at liquidating Krim and "Interior" Minister Alkhadar Benboual and accepting French Premier Charles de Gaulle's proposals for a cease-fire, the reports said.

F.L.N. troops reacted violently to the disagreement among the military leaders and mutiny broke out in several camps, forcing the Tunisian Army and National Guard to intervene, the reports said.

Lamouri and two other high-ranking military leaders were denounced and arrested. The purge then spread to more than 25 other rebels implicated in the plot, the reports added.—France-Press.

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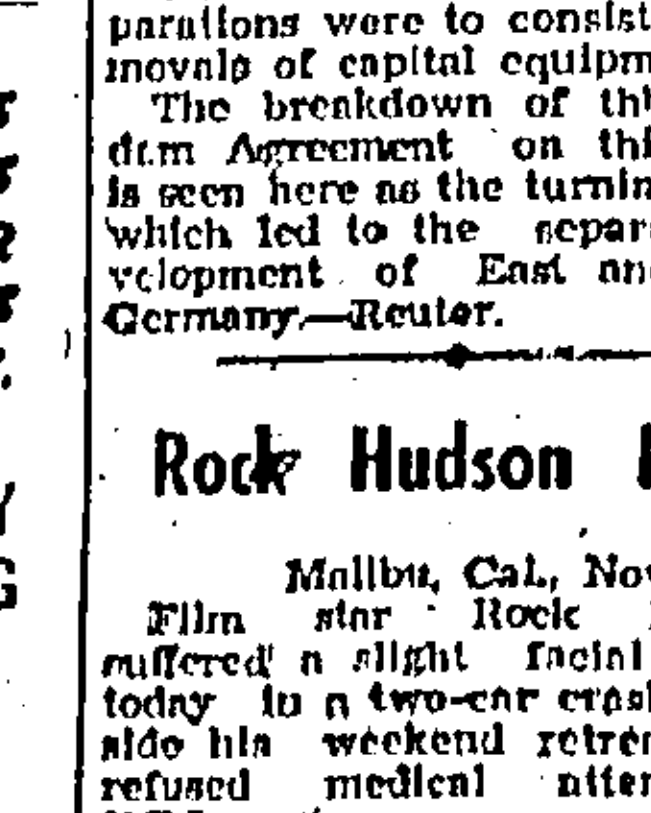
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Khrushchev Chooses His Decorations

Moscow, Nov. 27. The Soviet head of government, Nikita Khrushchev, wore a gold "Dove of Peace" on his breast, beside the Order of Lenin and the Order of the Red Flag of Labour, when he gave his press conference on the Berlin issue in the Kremlin today.—France-Press.

Conscription Cut

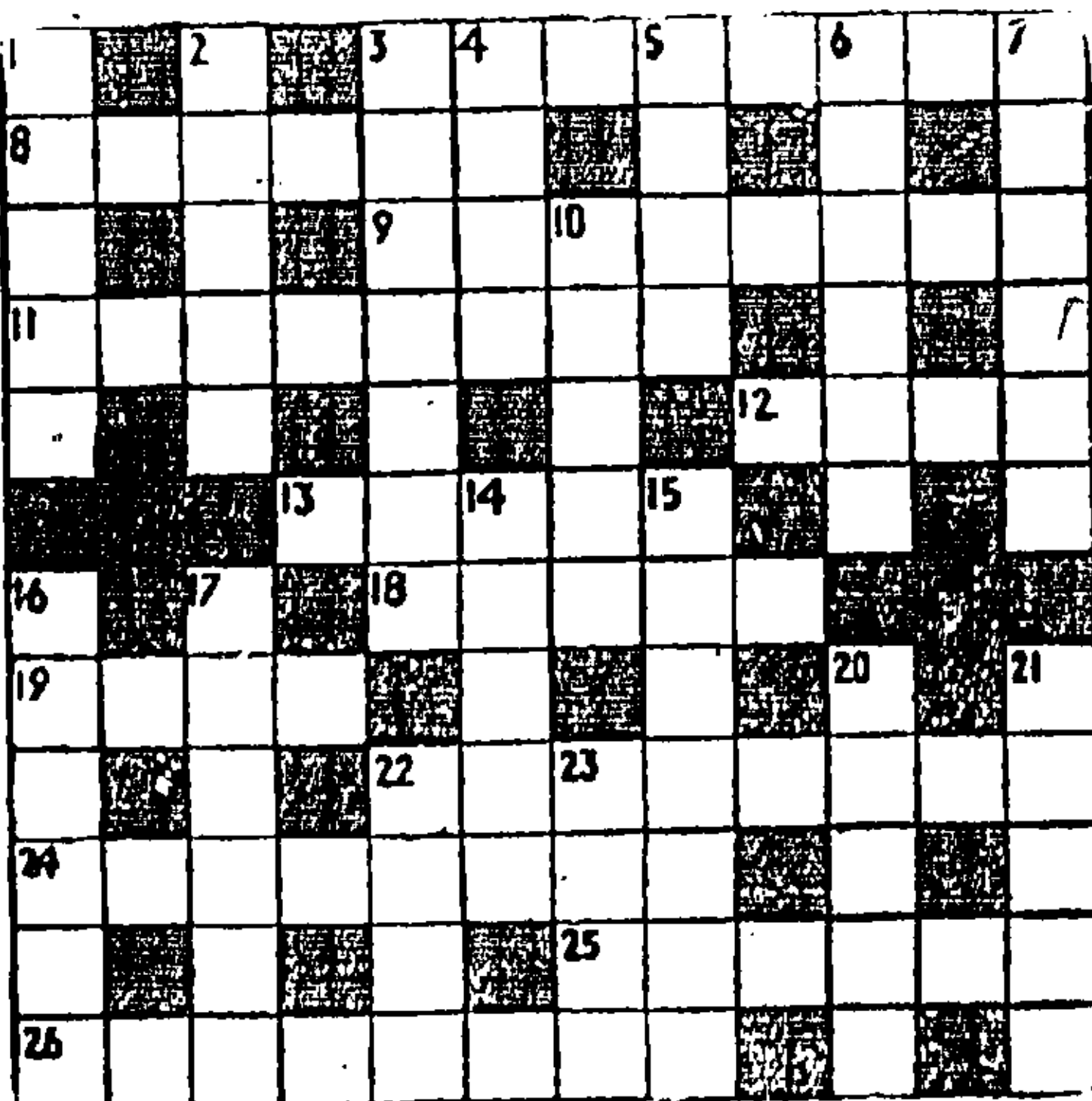
Brussels, Nov. 27. Belgium's new Catholic-Liberal Coalition Government tonight announced a vote of confidence in the Senate approving its policy, which includes a promise to cut conscription from 18 months to a year by the end of 1959. Voting was 97 to 56. The Lower House voted similarly on Tuesday.—Reuter.

A CAR FOR NINEPENCE



Tousle-haired Stephen Amos, a 17-year-old plumbers apprentice, becomes a proud car owner. To buy a 1937 ten H.P. Hillman saloon, at a garage in Oxford Road, Reading, he got out of bed and cycled to the showroom. While a dozen people waited for the salesman to arrive he went round the back and put his hand on the car. When the garage owner Mr Dennis Hands arrived Stephen handed over sixpence and a three-penny bit in exchange for the log-book... probably the cheapest car ever bought.—Keystone.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Society symbol (3, 5).
 - Closing time, so to speak (6).
 - Miss Spain (8).
 - Tied up (8).
 - Do some art work (4).
 - Egg-shaped (5).
 - Almost a complete breakfast in Surrey (5).
 - Man and a mother (4).
 - Dig up (6).
 - A few words that carry conviction? (8).
 - Agree, as despatched (6).
 - Prevailing (6).
- DOWN**
- Keen accent (5).
 - Angry capo (6).
 - Restrained manner of a force in readiness (7).
 - Pitcher found in news (4).
 - Stupid fellow of the turf (4).
 - It may put you to sleep (6).
 - Bird round and round (6).
 - Thane, perhaps, in a Welsh town (6).
 - Khan re-elected? (5).
 - Nothing could be simpler (7).
 - Elapsed, but satisfied the examiner (6).
 - Bulley's partner (6).
 - Speak like an extremist (6).
 - How to deal with nutmeg (5).
 - Churchman from Ailen (4).
 - Count feet (4).

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Recluse, 7 Moor, 8 Fletcher, 10 Steele, 13 Serpent, 16 Soft, 17 Turtles, 18 Pouch, 20 Arms, 21 Noreast, 26 Estate, 27 Dismant, 28 Even, 29 Dismant, Down: 1 A-mis, 2 Lever, 3 Rifle, 4 Lull, 5 B'com, 6 Struts, 9 Lenton, 11 Tenor, 12 Epic, 14 Turban, 15 Start (point), 16 Feast, 18 Padded, 19 Amuses, 22 Aster, 23 Eaves, 24 Tasty, 26 Moss.

THANKSGIVING DINNER AT THE RESIDENCE OF THE U. S. AMBASSADOR Nixon's Shock Last-minute Discovery Before The Queen Arrived

London, Nov. 27.

Vice-President Richard Nixon figured in a last-minute hitch at the American Embassy dinner to the Queen tonight.

He suddenly discovered his aides had not packed a dinner jacket. Unlike the dinner at No. 10 Downing Street and the Guildhall, which called for white tie and tails, the meal at Whitehall House—Ambassador John Hay Whitney's residence—was less formal and dinner jackets were worn without medals.

Vice-President Nixon had left himself just enough time to get changed from a day conference with editors and politicians into tuxedo, when he made the discovery.

A frantic check of the Presidential tour party cam-

pinismayed, the Vice-President called his staff together and told them he needed a tuxedo within a few minutes.

Several volunteers produced theirs on the spot but only one fitted him. It belonged to James Bassett, his special press adviser, who is traveling with him.

Bassett readily surrendered his tuxedo to his chief but then found himself in the

same difficulty, because he was a guest at tonight's function.

The same process of trying on, with the usual series of misadventures, was repeated until eventually Bassett managed to find the dinner jacket of a Scotland Yard detective seconded to the Vice-President's suite.

As the British detective was on duty that night at the Embassy and had to be properly attired, he also had to look around for a substitute tuxedo which he found from an American Embassy official, Mr Eugene Staples, of the USIS.

So just before the Queen arrived, everybody was properly rigged out but Nixon looked as if he had lost weight since the last time he wore "his tuxedo."

However, all was well that ended well and the Queen knew nothing of the quick-change act which had preceded her arrival.

Tonight's guests at the American Embassy included the senior members of the Cabinet, Hugh

Gaitskill, opposition leader, and a short, select list of prominent military leaders and civilians.

Among the Americans were General Lauris Norstad, NATO Supreme Commander, General Thomas D. White, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force and Admiral James L. Holloway, Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. naval force in the East Atlantic and the Mediterranean.

The Queen, without the Duke of Edinburgh, who had another engagement, arrived at 2030, wearing a shimmering full-skirted evening gown of white satin, embroidered with iridescent paillettes with an accompanying necklace, earrings and a bracelet.

She sat before a large silver bowl of pale yellow roses. Her neighbours were the Vice-President and the U.S. Ambassador in London. The menu was the traditional Thanksgiving Day fare: Oyster stew, chicken soup, roast turkey with cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes and green vegetables, pumpkin pie, mince pie and cream.—France-Press.

Richard Nixon Drops In On Winston

London, Nov. 27.

The United States Vice-President, Mr Richard M. Nixon, dropped in on Sir Winston Churchill at his home here yesterday and made a date to meet the veteran statesman again next May in Washington.

Mr Nixon went to see Sir Winston at his London home on the edge of Hyde Park after lunching with Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace, a few blocks away.

The 45-year-old American Vice-President spent 25 minutes chatting about Anglo-American relations and world affairs with the man who was already a controversial figure in British politics when Mr Nixon was a baby.

When they parted on the doorstep, Sir Winston said: "Thank you very much for coming."

"I hope to see you in May, Sir," Mr Nixon replied.

He explained later to reporters that Sir Winston was planning to visit the United States in May, fulfilling a long standing invitation from President Eisenhower.

Sir Winston and Lady Churchill were scheduled to visit President and Mrs Eisenhower last April while Sir Winston's paintings were on exhibition in Washington. The visit was postponed following Sir Winston's serious illness earlier in the year.—China Mail Special.

Algeria Election Begins Today: Moslem Deputies

Algiers, Nov. 28.

Loudspeaker vans will summon the villagers of Algeria to the polls today, the first day of the elections which will return 67 Moslem and European Deputies to the National Assembly in Paris.

To forestall organised insurgent attacks—the National Liberation Front has called for abstentions from voting—ambushes, snipers, and other attacks. The elections are being staggered over three days.

Half the villages vote today and half tomorrow. But not till they hear the loudspeaker vans will the Moslems know which day their village is voting.

The big towns vote on Sunday.

Although General Charles de Gaulle, the French Prime Minister, called for all tendencies to be expressed in the electoral campaign, no Nationalists are standing and nearly all the candidates have openly campaigned for the integration of Algeria with Metropolitan France.

Just under 200 candidates

are standing, grouped in 47 electoral lists for 18 constituencies. Of the 97 seats, 46 must be held by Moslems.

The F.L.N. have so far made no anti-election moves and have been no terrorist attacks in Algiers itself for a fortnight.—Reuter.

The Man Who Debagged The Solicitor Writes Book

London, Nov. 27.

Lieutenant-Colonel Alfred Daniel Wintle, the 61-year-old "Dragon", was today writing the last chapter of a book on his ten-year battle with the law which will be published "outside areas of British jurisdiction."

There will be an expurgated edition for British publication, Colonel Wintle said.

The monocular officer yesterday won the last round of his long legal battle over the £115,000 estate of a distant relative, Miss K. Wintle, who died in 1947. After he had lost in the Probate Court and the Appeal Court he conducted his own case before the House of Lords—and won.

The Colonel gets nothing for himself, and has spent about £3,000. But his spinster sister, Marjorie, 67, who looked after "Kiss" for 23 years, should get £20,000 in place of the £40 a year left her in the will, her brother contested.

The clause he fought up to the highest British court was the one leaving £50,000 to Mr Frederick Henry Nye, 73-year-old solicitor to Miss Wells.

Colonel Wintle went to goal six months for "debagging" the solicitor and photographing him.

Colonel Wintle said today: "All I want now is for that six months sentence to be expunged from the records. It was a summary sentence. Had I debagged a dentist or stockbroker or commercial traveller I would only have been fined 40 shillings."

"If the Law Lords want to expunge it I shall have to consider an appeal against conviction and sentence—for the sake of my honour as an officer and gentleman."—China Mail Special.

Bride In "Baby Doll" Dress



The wedding at Holy Trinity Church, Sidcup of Debbie Hamilton from the show at the Garrick Theatre to Dr David Logan (26) house physician at the Miller General Hospital... Debbie, who is twenty-one, was a Windmill Girl for three years. Picture shows the bride and bridegroom after the wedding, and the bride's "Baby Doll" white nylon chiffon wedding dress—in the new short length.—Keystone.

Mystery Lady Pays A Record Price

London, Nov. 27.

A Louisa XV writing table fetched the world record price of £25,700 here today.

The buyer, an unnamed woman dressed in black, left by an emergency exit at Christie's auction rooms as soon as the piece was knocked down to her.

The previous record for a similar table was £17,850, set in Paris in 1956.

The marquetry table and 26 other pieces were sold by order of the trustees of the Second Baron Ligonnet, who was killed in action in 1916.

The day's total for this furniture and other pieces was also a world record at £24,540. The previous highest total for furniture was £24,000, set at Sotheby's auction rooms here last year.

The writing table was made by Jean-Francois Oeben, cabinet-maker to Louis XV of France. There are only about six of this kind in existence, including one in the Louvre museum in Paris and one in the Getty collection in the United States.—Reuter.

Flourmill Strike

Buenos Aires, Nov. 27.

Flourmill workers throughout Argentina will stop work at midnight until further notice in support of the men at the Nogoya, Entre Rio's plant of the Big Milling Company of Molinos Rio de La Plata. A strike there has lasted two months, following a reduction in the staff engaged in bagging flour.—U.P.I.



Eddie Fisher Welcome To See Children

Hollywood, Nov. 27.

Actress Debbie Reynolds, 26, says her estranged husband Eddie Fisher is "very welcome" to visit their two children during today's Thanksgiving holiday.

"And he's welcome to visit them at Christmas too," Miss Reynolds said.

The couple separated in September after the 20-year-old singer publicly squared three times with actress Elizabeth Taylor around New York night-club.

Miss Reynolds said attorneys were working on a property settlement preparatory to the filing of a divorce. She said she did not know when the divorce would be filed.—U.P.I.



Sole Agents: JOHN, PHILLIPS & CO.

Kemsley Sale Deal With Daily Mirror

London, Nov. 27.

Britain's wealthy "Daily Mirror" chain of newspapers announced tonight that negotiations were almost complete for the purchase of the Amalgamated Press magazine empire for £8,000,000.

Amalgamated's 70 publications include Everybody's Women's Weekly and Keely's Annual.

Chairman of the Daily Mirror group is Cecil King, Amalgamated Press belongs to the Berry family, which has agreed to exchange its shares for Daily Mirror Shares, which will be immediately re-purchased by the Sunday Pictorial, a "Daily Mirror" chain property.

The Berry family includes Lord Kemsley, owner of the Sunday Times and the Kemsley 15-newspaper chain, and his brother Lord Camrose, proprietor of the Daily Telegraph.—France-Press.

U.S. Aid For The Sudan

Cairo, Nov. 27.

General Ibrahim Abboud, the Prime Minister today told a newspaperman in Khartoum that the Sudan agreed to American aid "in principle," the Middle East News Agency reported here.

Observers here considered this as one of the most important political developments since the army take-over in the Sudan last week.

Acceptance of American aid has in the past provoked the bitterest attacks by Sudanese Opposition forces.—Reuter.

Archbishop In Hospital

Canterbury, Nov. 27.

Dr Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, entered hospital here today for a hernia operation tomorrow.

He expects to resume normal work at the end of December. The Archbishop, 71, was reported ill in May, 1957, when he gave up his engagements for nearly a month because of influenza and bronchitis.—China Mail Special.

Egypt Refuses Landing Rights

Cairo, Nov. 27.

The United Arab Republic has refused a United States request to allow military air transport service planes to land in Cairo "at this time," informed sources said today.

MATS planes landed at Cairo on weekly round-the-world flights until the Anglo-French attack on Egypt in 1956. Until then there were also occasional flights of supply planes from the US Wheelus airbase in Tripoli.

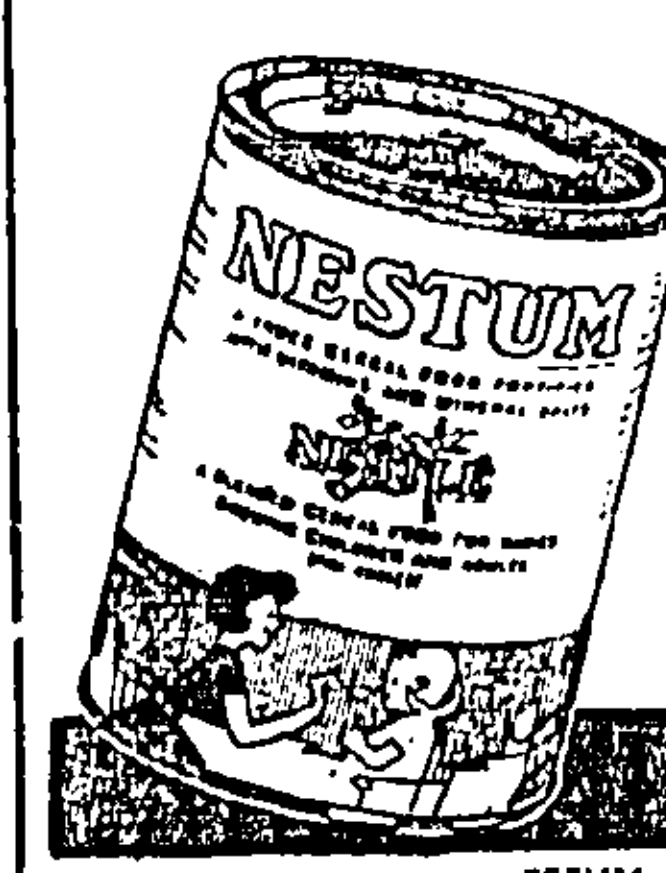
The United States has tried periodically since then to get landing rights again.—U.P.I.

Paris, Nov. 27. The French Cabinet, under the chairmanship of Premier Charles de Gaulle, today decided on the establishment of a special committee for social welfare assistance to Moslems in Tunisia and France. The committee will have its own administrative office and will concentrate on improving the welfare of Algerian Moslems.—France-Press.



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ROUND-UP

"JET CLOCK"

THREE years spare-time work which led to the production of the "Jet Clock" safety device, used in Flying Training Command, has won for Electrical Fitter Flight-Sergeant Frederick Johns, a Cornishman, of Kentish Town, London, the "L. G. Groves Memorial Prize" for 1958. This is the first time the prize, awarded annually to the individual who has contributed most to flying safety, has been won by an N.C.O. Flight-Sergeant Johns, who is serving with No. 5 Training School, R.A.F. Oakington, Cambridgeshire, also receives a monetary award from the Air Council. The "Jet Clock" serves as an automatic "Memory" for flying controllers. A buzzer informs them the precise moment when an aircraft's fuel supply has reached the point where the plane should be recalled to land.

WON'T ADMIT BEING POOR

BECAUSE nobody at West Wickham, Kent, will admit to being poor, the old people of the parish will benefit from a legacy more than 300 years old. Each year, at a service commemorating the "Gunpowder Plot," newly minted shillings are distributed in the parish church. The money was bequeathed by Sir Samuel Lenthart in the 17th century for the poor of the parish. The Rector, the Rev. J. B. Shortt, says, "Nobody will admit to being poor these days and the shillings are distributed to members of the Old People's Club and in turn are given to club funds."

BRITAIN'S BIGGEST

A £5,000,000 building going up in Southwark, South-East London, as offices for the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, will be the largest building in Britain since the war. Occupying 800,000 square feet it will accommodate 4,500 people and so concentrate under one roof departments now in Baywater and Bloomsbury. The building is due to be completed in two years.

IT'S FAREWELL

HE is known in East London's Limehouse district as "The Bishop" because of his patriarchal appearance. For many years he was a popular figure as Father Christmas of children's parties in the East End. But now Limehouse is going to lose him. For 6ft 4 inches Police Sergeant Herbert Grey retires from the

Metropolitan Police soon and is going back to Brighton where he was born. He first became a constable at Hampstead in 1927. Ten years later he was promoted to sergeant and transferred to the Limehouse sub-division. He was awarded the D.E.M. for gallantry in rescue work when the dock area was bombed in the early years of the war.

IN SAME TOWN

MR Walter A. Chapman, of Herne Bay, Kent, believes no other family in the town can compete with the total age of his—738 years. Mr Chapman says that out of 12 children born in Herne Bay, 10 are still living. Their ages range between the youngest, 65 years—to the oldest, Walter himself, who is 83. Walter's parents went to live in Herne Bay about 1870.

CHRISTMAS STORES

CHRISTMAS stores—everything from turkey and trimmings to toys for the children—have been sent to Cyprus from N.A.A.F.I. headquarters London. Poultry—a choice of turkey, goose, duck or chicken—is in cold storage on the island ready to appear in the N.A.A.F.I. shops. Baloons and decorations have gone and there will be a wide selection of good quality gifts and toys including dolls, prams and bicycles. The N.A.A.F.I. Headquarters in Kennington, London, known as Imperial House, a large rambling mansion, is where volunteers for Cyprus milled in their hundreds. It was once a charity school. Charles Dickens reported the foundation stone laying for his newspaper.

ARMY'S CHANGING FACE

THE changing face of the British Army is shown in a series of military prints, paintings and collages on display at the Parker Gallery, London. A foreword in the catalogue which notes the process of reduction and amalgamation which the Army is now undergoing adds, "this exhibition shall remain as a tribute to the old regiments and corps of the Army, who have fought on so many fields and gathered so many Imperial honours." There are over 2,500 exhibits on show, among them are prints and pictures of regimental uniforms and of famous battles and portraits of military leaders. Relics include badges, dating back two centuries, pistols, jockey whips, helmets and field caps. All these historical exhibits are priced from about £2 for lithographs to nearly £300 for oil paintings of battle scenes.

Women now rule: the U.S. - official:

New York.
IT is midnight in a \$5-a-head New York restaurant. The head waiter harries his staff as it sets up a big centre table. To it—with the purpose of destroyers steaming into battle—sweep 12 women in evening dress. Not one man is among them.

Who are they? The Business Women's Guild of Brooklyn out on the spree? A branch of the Daughters of the American Revolution in desperate conclave? No. They are 12 American housewives having dinner together. And the \$50 bill they will sign and have sent to their husbands, who are at this moment sitting at home waiting for the phone calls which will fetch them out in their cars to collect their wives when the evening is over.

"They come here every three or four weeks," says the head waiter. "It is quite a regular." And there are a lot more like them. For this is the scene and age of woman dominant. "The best-dressed, most luxuriously housed, lavishly cosseted, tenderly husbanded, and most protected, respected, supported and petted woman in the world," says the American man—as he is cast aside like so much jetsam by the onward surge to power of the American woman.

Veto power

Today he is palpably unable to quell it.

In 70 per cent of American homes the wife has veto power on any spending. In more than 50 per cent her authority is absolute.

The husband has his salary paid into the bank. But it is the wife who holds the book of cheques. It is she who spends them. To whom does she make them out? To shops which have put into America's homes an average of 4,000 new kitchen gear and round-the-house gadgets aimed at lightening the housewife's load. Even that does not let the American husband out of a multitude of chores which would leave gaping the Englishman who thinks once he leaves the office that the rest of the day should be his own. Home upon home here has its two aprons—on them embroidered "His" and "Hers." The difference: when friends visit he has his apron on—she clatters round the kitchen. Hers stays on its hook behind the door—as she pours the cocktails.

They decide

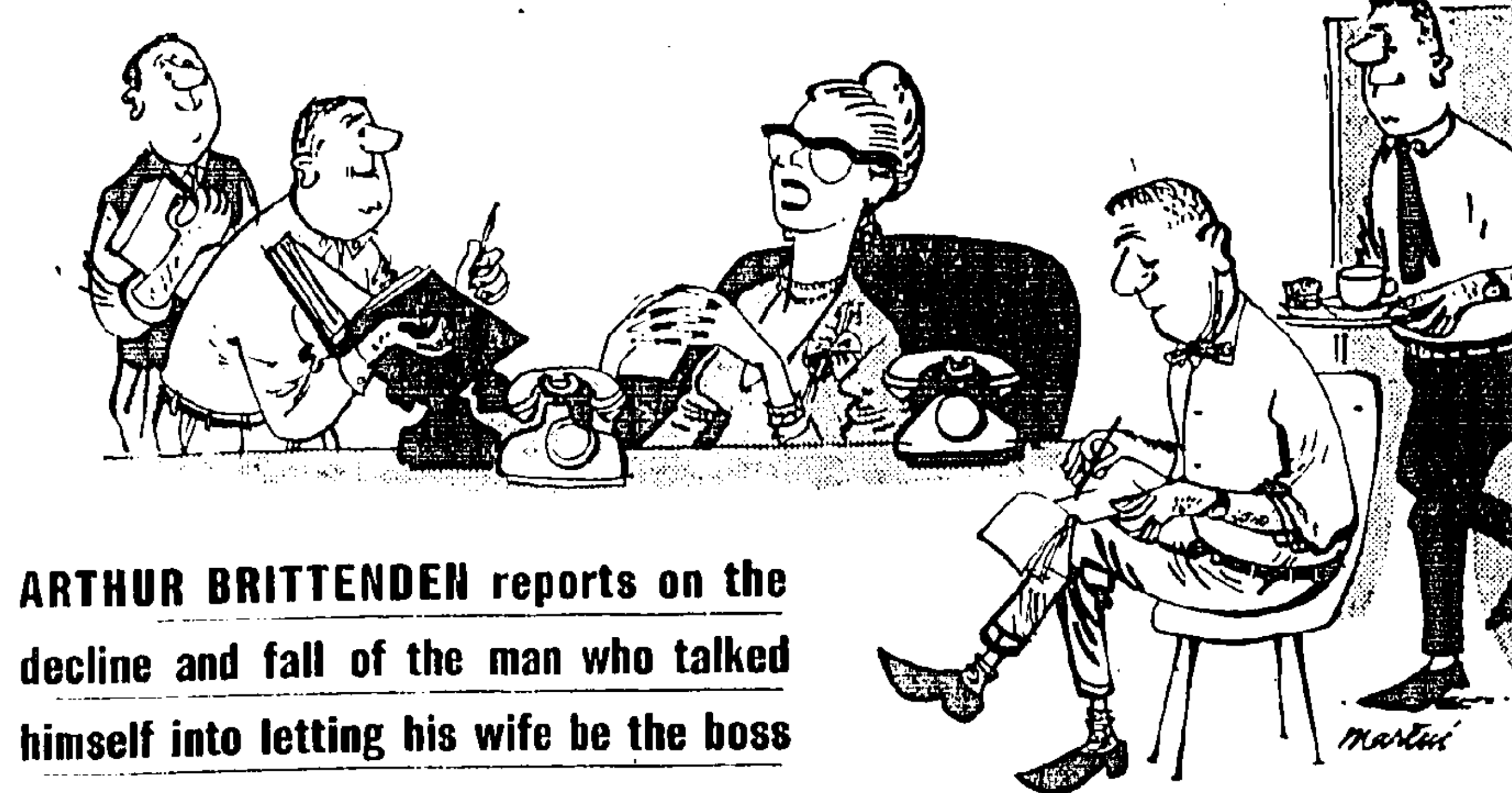
In business, men find themselves being steadily subjugated by women—not only in numbers but by the influence women are winning. New York's life underwriters—like the Stock Exchange—thought to be an impregnable stronghold of men, have just chosen their first woman president.

A 19-store shoe chain has a woman in its president's chair. The giant General Foods Corporation has a woman vice-president. So does one of the biggest national TV and radio net works. They pull in pay cheques to match all but America's top men of industry. As women earn more and more, so do more and more women decide when the nation's purse strings shall be opened or snapped shut.

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"Please realize once and for all, Slingby, that we want no Callas at St. Jude's!"



ARTHUR BRITTENDEN reports on the decline and fall of the man who talked himself into letting his wife be the boss

The Treasurer of the United States—the signature goes on every dollar note—is a woman.

More than 140 banks have a woman as their president. Fifty have boards which, when they gather to settle their fiscal policy, are called to order by the humming gavel of a woman chairman.

Not any more

The New York Stock Exchange recently set out to find who holds the shares in the country's public corporations. It probably surprised itself—and certainly knocked another prop from the tottering confidence of the American man—when it revealed that the majority of these shares belong to women.

Women's infiltration into commerce and trade is now so complete that there is no job which man can call his very own.

The Census Bureau has disabused him of any ideas he may have had on that. A list, which millions of male taxpayers would have thanked it never to use their money to produce, shows that among women workers in the United States today are: 2,460 undertakers, 190 auctioneers, 360 locomotive engineers, 4,350 taxi drivers, 750 stevedores, and 450 plasterers.

As the American male feels his grasp fast slipping from control of his country's affairs, every survey and every poll leaves him frantically clutching fingers.

Out comes one of the loan companies—too big to be written off as untypical—to say it would far rather sign its money over to a woman.

A banker of renown—and a man at that—rushes to add that he feels the same. A woman, he says, is so much better informed about the family's finances than her husband. So much more intelligent in handling them.

The lenders of money point out that on expectation of life alone, a woman is so much stronger a bet than her husband.

So helpless

For yet another survey shows the average American woman (as though so indefinite an adjective could ever be used to describe her) may expect to live to 73. Her husband only to 67.

With despair, the American man asks: "And what else can you expect when I am driving myself into the ground? Not as it used to be, to keep up with the Joneses. But to try to keep up with the only person in the Jones family who really matters—MRS. JONES."

The ranks of American men are now too far decimated for him to put up anything but a crumbling facade of resistance to American woman.

He now stands helplessly by while his womenfolk govern him even to what he shall wear. Men's tailors and outfitters say that about half of what they sell is bought by women. By women who would see it as a weakness in themselves if they as much as suggested that their husbands might go along with them to choose HIS clothes.

One chain of men's shops across the country says that 85 per cent of its ties, handkerchiefs, shirts, socks, and gaiters are chosen by women who arrive at the counter alone.

In one day I say two advertisements by noted men's shops here which read:—

"A word to wise young wives. 'Tonight take a peek in your spouse's closet. Tomorrow is a working day and at business he should present a business like front. We all know this is a competitive world. Send him in tomorrow during his lunch hour or meet him after work.'"

"Many friends of Blank's Clothes don't even wear them. They're women who admire men who do."

These advertisements were probably written by men—men who are turning to suicide rather than fight the unequal battle of the sexes.

A new era...

A few years ago the American man took his morning shower, shook a talcum-powder tin over himself and felt, after shaving, that his toilet was reasonably complete.

Now he is buying colognes and lotions to the tune of £100 million—yes, £100 million. Because his womenfolk want it so.

Florists too have never had it so good. Because the American woman has insinuated the principle that no man would take her out to a dance or to a theatre or to dinner if she did not have a corsage pinned to her gown.

For a husband or boy friend to fall in this, would be tantamount in Britain to taking the lady out for the evening, then handing her the bill. In terms of social gauffers the two would be about equal.

And what happens when he sits at her side for dinner? SHE is probably deciding whether he is the sort of man who should be picked out for a big future in his job.

For firms which still have men at the top are now turning to the wives of these executives to advise them on what they think of the potentialities of their staff.

Do not laugh, Yeomen of England. The threat of this breed of women is only half a day's Comet flight away from you.

Let no man take lightly the domination of the American man by the woman who is assuming greater power in industry, juggling with the national finances, dictating to her menfolk on their dress and manners.

For so complete is her authority here that when I asked a dozen business chiefs how they felt about this state of affairs, only one spoke out.

"The minute you get a woman executive in your office," he said, "be ready to cut your throat. For 99 out of 100 women who will help to rocket your

profits are utterly lacking in the delights of femininity." And what did he say after that? "But for goodness sake don't use my name if you write that. That would be the end of me."

Ray of hope?

Is there no hope for the American man? I see a thin ray. Behind the doors of the great electrical combines today they are working on such astonishing gadgets as:—

A MACHINE which, at the press of a button, will turn out as many paper cups, saucers, and plates as you want. (Afterwards you can throw them in the dustbin.)

A CUPBOARD in which you will hang your clothes so that ultrasonic rays can be passed through them—removing every particle of dirt.

A VACUUM CLEANER which will crawl into a room, suck the dust from every inch of carpet and every piece of furniture in sight, then withdraw into hiding again.

The women think it is for them that the men are doing this. I don't.

I believe this is a brilliant move by the husbands towards the day when they will no longer have any housework to do.

The day when they will have their hands free to strike a blow for equality in the home and eventually in the office.

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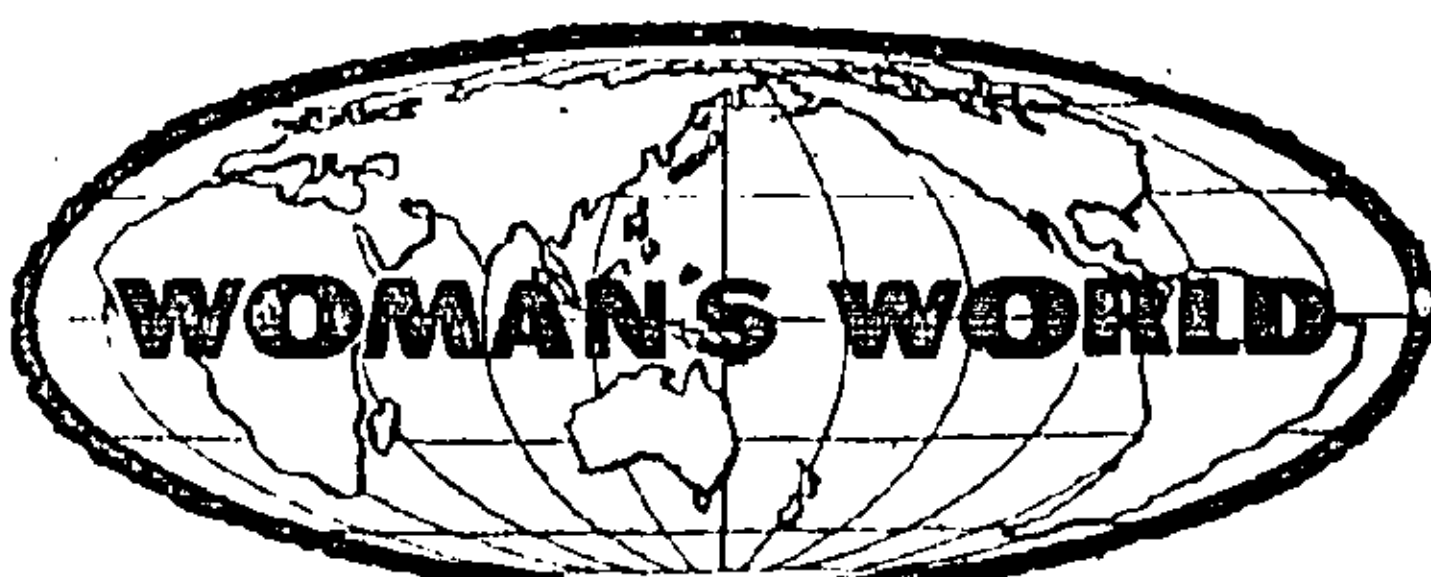
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WOMANSENSE



Brisbane, curiosity" and "tireless persistence."

The Queensland Government is planning to introduce women as fully qualified detectives, the State Police Commissioner, Mr. P. E. Bischof, announced.

Explaining the decision he said the choice was made because of women's "innate natural

JACOBY on BRIDGE

THERE is practically nothing to the play of today's hand at six clubs. All South has to do is to give up one spade trick and then ruff a third spade to set up the rest of the suit.

There is a lot to the bidding and the key bid is South's two-club response. He has 14 points and a balanced hand and could bid two no-trump. But his 14 points include an ace and three kings and as such this hand is much better for slam purposes than other 14 pointers.

Once South responds two clubs North sees definite slam possibilities. His 15 points in high cards include three aces. He has very good clubs and a singleton in the fourth suit. He could

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♥	A10	
♦	AQ93	
♣		
WEST		
♠	K93	
♥	643	
♦	J1082	
♣	702	
EAST		
♠	Q10	
♥	QJ872	
♦	Q705	
♣	A54	
SOUTH		
♠	52	
♥	K94	
♦	AQ93	
♣	KJ105	
Both vulnerable		
North	East	South
1♠	Pass	2♣
2♣	Pass	3NT
3♣	Pass	4♣
4♣	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦J		

Q—The bidding has been:

West North East South

1♠ 2♣ 3NT 4♣

What do you do?

A—Bid four no-trump. This is not Blackwood but rather tells your partner that you are willing to have him bid a slam if he wishes. At least one opponent has been fooled.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Against your partner has doubled one club and the next player has bid one heart. You hold:

♠AJ10853 ♥74 ♣542

What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

BORN today you have an artistic, ingenious and inquiring mind. You also have the ability to dramatize your ideas and will be happiest if you find your life in one of the performing arts. You also have the gift of the written word. You have special talents in music, poetry and music and if these are developed you can become outstanding. Although you may not be too outwardly aggressive, you have plenty of self-confidence and are willing to work against great odds to reach your ambitious goals in life.

Friendly affectionate, you will make a host of acquaintances as you go through life. In love and romance, you are exacting and expect undivided loyalty, which you will reciprocate. Once you have decided upon your marriage partner, it is for always. Wed someone who is also demonstrative.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)—A good day to wind up the month's work and get ready to enter in a new schedule.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—Don't be timid about asking for and getting some good advice today if you need it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—You might ask tactfully for the return of that loan you made recently.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If you are in business and you have outstanding bills, be sure to get your statements out on time!

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—A good evening or an organization or club meeting if requested. Late the chair.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—This is a day when you may anticipate a quick return for your investment of time or money.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

Let's sell Mr. Robertson a ticket to our fourth play. Which sounds bigger—gigantic or colossal?

At the top of the cliff Rupert stands over the precious carved stick, and the gentleman gazed in astonishment at the separate end section. This was certainly meant to be screwed in," he murmured thoughtfully. "How beautifully it is made. There are seven sections

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Life begins again in gay Warsaw

AFTER three weeks in Russia I had forgotten just how pretty women can be. It came as a pleasant surprise to refresh my memory in Warsaw.

Polish girls are good-looking, almost as handsome as the men. It was cheering to see again slim waists, chic heads, and feminine contours.

One can admire many things deeper behind the Iron Curtain. Their gigantic education programme, for instance, and the healthy concentration on the welfare of children and young people.

But undoubtedly life is pretty dull!

camp right to four clubs but three spades is probably better. The three-spade bid does not encourage South and he merely bids, this one-trump. Now North shows his club support and South makes the simple bid of four diamonds. This bid leaves the way open for North to stop at four spades, but also shows the diamond ace in case North is interested in that card.

At this point North's bid of six clubs is practically automatic. He may toy with the idea of seven for a moment, but after he remembers that South's bid had been three no-trump he is content with six.

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Warsaw

And although I am definitely a vodka enthusiast, it was good to have the choice of gin or Scotch.

THE PARTY

Hospitality was one of the loveliest vacuums for a visitor to Russia.

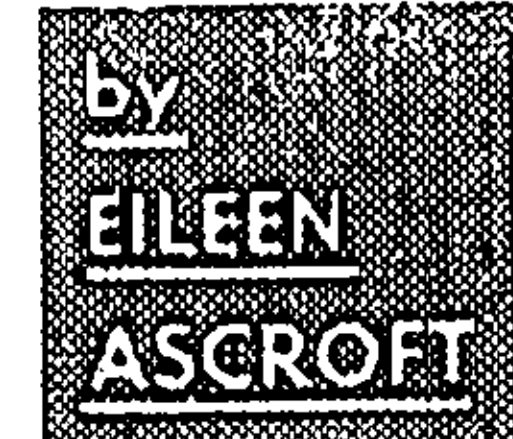
No matter how clumsy you may become with a factory manager, over a bottle of pop round his or her boardroom table, you never get invited home to tea.

I spent only three days in Poland, but during that time went to a family tea party and played dolls with the two small daughters, and a housewarming party.

This young couple were celebrating the finding of two tiny rooms with kitchen and bath for themselves and ma-in-law.

Housing is still a desperate problem in Warsaw. Even the finest self-contained bed-sitter is a golden find. How 80 or so guests packed themselves into those two small rooms, among the family portraits and massive pieces of furniture from other days. I just do not know.

In one short hour I had conversations in French, German, English and Russian, and exchange pleasantries with the



REBUILDING

War damage is vast—almost half the city has still to be rebuilt. But there is astonishing lavishness about the rebuilding.

Old squares and streets have been entirely reconstructed as they were before, and the wonderful collection of Canaletto paintings has been used to reproduce exactly old carvings and paintings on houses and palace museums.

Another touch of luxury I have seen in no other city in the world are loads of fresh flowers brought in every few days.

The massed flower beds are not growing plants but armfuls of freshly picked flowers, with their stalks stuck into the soil.

What a relief to walk through a park, which relied only on trees and flowers for decoration, and not on an endless succession of slogans and posters exhorting one to harder work—like you know where! In moderation, I am an admirer of Lenin the man, but I must confess I was happy not to come upon his statue peering at me from behind every bush.

FREE SIGHTS

Shopping is an intriguing business in Warsaw. You can take your choice of the huge state-owned stores or the small, Western-style private shops.

Really good hairdressers exist, and for the wealthy there is a fine couturier. Even, whose windows would do credit to the Rue St. Honoré in Paris.

Even the lowest paid workers—and salaries are often so small a part-time job must be done in addition to exist—enjoy Eva's window dressing.

It is one of the free sights of the town.

I met a fellow Warsaw enthusiast in singer Jan Klepura, over from America to arrange a concert tour. "Beautiful cooking and beautiful women, was his verdict, and he claims to be 'expert on both'.

Miss World Makes Fashion Debut



A girl from sunny South Africa, Penelope Coelen, the reigning 'Miss World' contrasts a swimsuit (black, with a white panel) with the sailor outfit for next summer worn by Molly Frith at the International Fashion Fair in the Royal Albert Hall, London.

The sailor suit, inspired by old-time nautical uniform, shows a top with wide scoop neck mounted over a navy and white striped blouse. It is completed by an 'ancient mariner' hat. Eighteen-year-old Miss Coelen is making her United Kingdom debut as a professional model at the Fair.—Reuterphoto.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Fisherman's Gift

—Why Baron Munch Couldn't Keep It—

By MAX TRELL

"Did I ever tell you the story?" Baron Munch asked Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-About Name, Teddy, the Stuffed Bear, and Hlawatha, the Small-Size Wooden Indian, "about the gift that the Fisherman once gave me?"

Knarf and Teddy said they had never heard the story about the Fisherman who once gave him a gift.

Didn't Believe

Hlawatha, the Small-Size Wooden Indian, kept his mouth shut but, by the look on his face, it was easy to see that he didn't think much of Baron Munch's stories.

RAPIER'S RACING COMMENTS

Fourth Meeting Continues Tomorrow

MCC Eight For None Against Queensland

Brisbane, Nov. 28. Main stopped play 18 minutes after the four-day match between the MCC and Queensland began here today. Play is expected to be resumed after lunch. During the few minutes of play this morning the MCC, electing to bat after winning the toss, were eight without loss, with Willie Watson 5 and Arthur Milton 3. Watson, the Leicestershire batsman who has been unable to play in the tour so far because of a leg injury, impressed commentators in his brief initial appearance this morning.—Reuter.

Orange Beauty Is Best Bet For The Main Event Of The Day

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Fourth Race Meeting will be continued tomorrow at the valley. With the weather remaining fine at the moment, there are indications that the last day of the meeting will again draw a large crowd of racing fans. There are eight events, the most important of which is the St Andrew's Stakes for Class 6 ponies over the Champion distance.

The first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. Here are my estimates of the chances:—

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB 4TH RACE MEETING

Saturday 22nd and Saturday 29th November, 1958
(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 10 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.
The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.
All persons must wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable prior to the meeting from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices, at Queen's Building, Chater Road, D'Aguiar Street and Nathan Road, Kowloon, only on the written introduction of a Member, and on production of his Guest Record Card. Members are limited to 6 guests each Race Day, and will be responsible for all guests introduced by them.

GUEST BADGES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE RACE COURSE ON RACE DAYS.
Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

The 7th Floor is restricted to Members, and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.
MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$10.00 each per day and \$32.00 each for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, Chater Road, and 5, D'Aguiar Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In all other cases Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole Meeting.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 21st November, 1958 will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Pearce Memorial Cup and Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices:—

Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguiar Street on:—
Mondays to Fridays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday 22nd and Saturday 29th November 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon on:—
Mondays to Fridays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday 22nd and Saturday 29th November 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER. NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISHONOURED TICKETS.
Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the premises of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

HONG KONG, 10th November, 1958

Cut this out and take it to the races

tomorrow for your guidance

Probable Starters, Weights & Riders

Probable starters, weights and riders for tomorrow's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

2.00 p.m. Race 1 JONA HANDICAP (1st Section), 6 Furlongs, Class 0 Novices

100 Sunstreak (Chew) 147 lbs.
101 Saratoga (Ng) 143 lbs.
102 Empire Rose (Sofronoff) 142 lbs.
103 Supermaster (Shiu) 139 lbs.
104 Diamond Lil (Lam) 136 lbs.
105 Wei (Andrew Chan)
4.30 p.m. Race 2 COLONIAL HAN-
DICAP, 1 1/4 Miles, Class 2

210 Mercury (Metrevel) 152 lbs.
202 Denita (Kramonoff) 151 lbs.
311 Glenida (Leckoff) 150 lbs.
312 Jale (Pereboeff) 150 lbs.
211 Norse Prince (Belokopoff) 150 lbs.
230 Silver Wing (Samarc) 148 lbs.
112 King's Parchment (S. H. Wong) 147 lbs.

5.00 p.m. Race 3 JONA HANDICAP (2nd Section), 6 Furlongs, Class 0

400 Vendetta (Tokmokoff) 158 lbs.
400 Fleetfoot (Ng) 157 lbs.
433 Tai Ping Shan (Metrevel) 156 lbs.
203 Appreciation (Metrevel) 153 lbs.
100 Blue Train (Liu) 147 lbs.

5.00 p.m. Race 4 ISLAY HANDICAP, 1 Mile 111 Yards, Class 0

600 Bayshore (A. S. Wong) 159 lbs.
230 Tongher (Kramonoff) 150 lbs.
022 Gay Sire (Kramonoff) 153 lbs.
300 Jura (Kramonoff) 150 lbs.
104 Perfectibility (Pereboeff) 149 lbs.

5.00 p.m. Race 5 ST. ANDREW'S STAKES, 1 1/4 Miles, Class 0

000 Alex's Gift (Rodney) 159 lbs.
023 Grace (Kramonoff) 159 lbs.
010 As You Like It (Lam) 157 lbs.
101 Vigorous Ava (A. S. Wong) 159 lbs.
000 Cover Girl (Lam) 155 lbs.

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000 Alex's Gift (Rodney) 159 lbs.
023 Grace (Kramonoff) 159 lbs.
010 As You Like It (Lam) 157 lbs.
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000 Cover Girl (Lam) 155 lbs.

5.00 p.m. Race 7 JURA HANDICAP (2nd Section), 3/4 Mile 117 Yards, Class 0

000 Possibility II (Pereboeff) 157 lbs.
020 Hiram C (Leckoff) 153 lbs.
030 Ever-glo (Tokmokoff) 151 lbs.
000 Tiger Shark (Noot) 150 lbs.
004 Ding Dong (Sofronoff) 149 lbs.

4.00 p.m. Race 8 JURA HANDICAP (2nd Section), 3/4 Mile 117 Yards, Class 0

000 Possibility II (Pereboeff) 157 lbs.
020 Hiram C (Leckoff) 153 lbs.
030 Ever-glo (Tokmokoff) 151 lbs.
000 Tiger Shark (Noot) 150 lbs.
004 Ding Dong (Sofronoff) 149 lbs.

4.00 p.m. Race 9 JURA HANDICAP (2nd Section), 3/4 Mile 117 Yards, Class 0

000 Possibility II (Pereboeff) 157 lbs.
020 Hiram C (Leckoff) 153 lbs.
030 Ever-glo (Tokmokoff) 151 lbs.
000 Tiger Shark (Noot) 150 lbs.
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4.00 p.m. Race 10 JURA HANDICAP (2nd Section), 3/4 Mile 117 Yards, Class 0

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Last Night's Boxing

BRILLIANT DISPLAY By LIEUT. RODD

By OUR BOXING REPORTER

The Fleet's in Sport . . . and at HMS Tamar last night the boys in navy blue fought out the 1958 Finals of the Far Eastern Fleet Boxing Championships.

Obviously enjoying every minute of it was the Commandant, Lieut. Rodd, who headed a large and distinguished gathering at the ring-side. The crowd got plenty to applaud and lots to cheer about even if they didn't get a surfeit of high class boxing. It was no night for faint hearts. Under the blazing ring lights and watched by the eagle eye of the television cameras, the men who ducked through the ropes made it a case of fight or fall . . . and the fall only came when a man had nothing more to give.

It was a most entertaining night's scrapping . . . there was little real boxing . . . but there was spirit, willingness, courage and frequently a Nelsonlike blindness to the inevitability of defeat.

Outstanding

The outstanding performance of the evening was that of Lt. Rodd in winning the Light-heavyweight Division. This tall, well-built young officer stepped into the ring adorned with a strange assortment of sticking plaster to cover the battle scars of the rugby field—he is of course a Scottish rugby player—and there were times during the bout when his opponent, gallant but outclassed Lt. Seaman Garrett, must have thought he had brought the entire Royal Navy scrum with him.

Rodd—he should now be re-named Rum-Rodd—fought and boxed brilliantly and it seemed to many that the bout could advantageously have been stopped earlier than it was.

The lightweight final between AB Lee and AB Finley produced the best academic boxing of the evening but each boy had too much respect for his opponent to make it a thrilling match. The verdict, which must have been very close, went to Finley.

The Team Trophy, The Millers Cup, was won by the Third Frigate Squadron while the Small Ships Trophy, The St. Brides Bay Cup was won appropriately enough by HMS St. Brides Bay.

Altogether it was a very colourful occasion and one felt rather privileged to be present at this excellently organised show in which the traditional spirit of the Royal Navy and its Commonwealth colleagues was so adequately demonstrated.

Yes . . . there is always something happening when The Fleet's in Sport.



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British Lawn Bowlers On S. Africa Tour

Capetown, Nov. 27.

The British lawn bowls team to tour South Africa and the Rhodesias arrived here today aboard the Athlone Castle.

Mr John Coles, President of the English Bowling Association, is flying from Britain and will join the party of 25 bowlers at East London.

The tour will last until the middle of March.—China Mail Special.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Programmes and Entry Forms for the 5th Race Meeting 1958/59 to be held on Saturday 18th and Saturday 20th December, 1958 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON Thursday, 2nd December, 1958.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

THE GAMBOLS



By Barry Appleby



THEN I CAN



HOT WATER

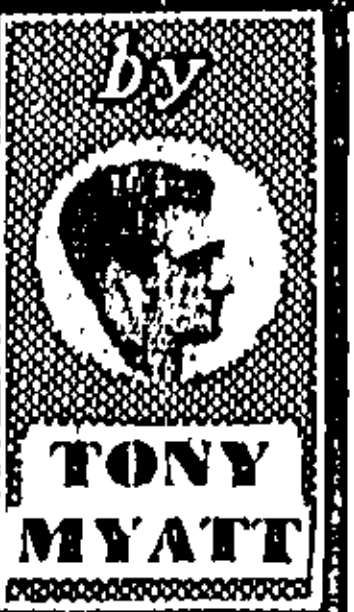


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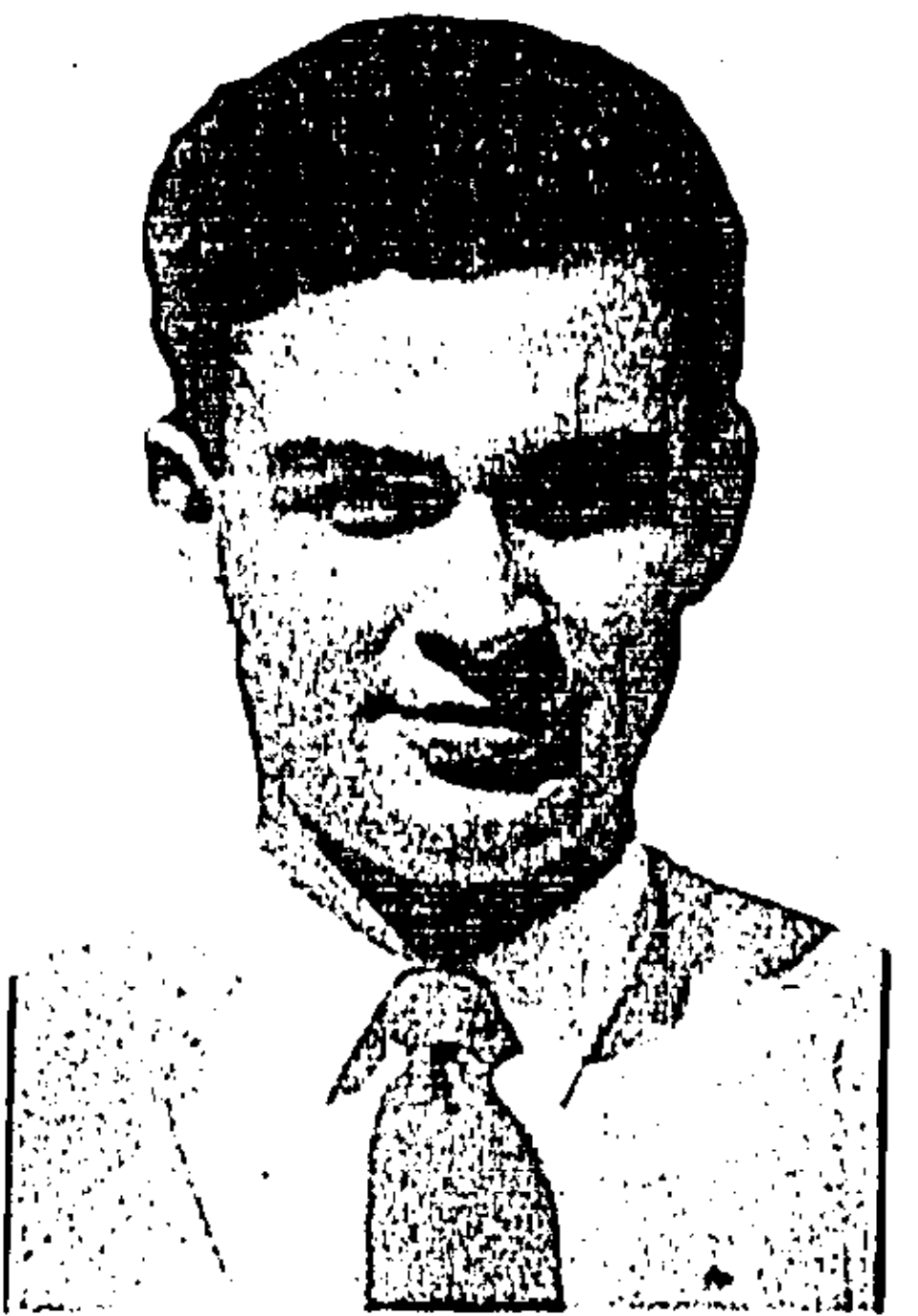
SPORTS PERSONALITIES



TONY MYATT

BUJI

DHABHER



A Fine All-Round Sportsman Who Plays For Fun

This week our personality column brings you the story of one of the Colony's finest southpaw all-rounders — a young man with a fun-loving disposition which seems to seep through no matter how crucial the situation may seem to be.

Good-looking Buji Dhabher is as popular with the younger set as he is with his older associates and though he has reached the top at a very early age, success has not gone to his head.

He is modest to the extent that it took me almost one and a half days trying to convince him that he was worthy of having his name in print.

Buji is the type of sportsman who strikes me as playing a game primarily for the fun of it and I cannot help but admire his ability to take defeat with a smile and victory in his stride.

A Natural

His love for sport developed early and he would play every and any game that came his way — from tiddly winks to rugby, tennis, table-tennis, cricket, soccer, hockey, football, basketball and many more. He tried his hand at the lot and proved himself a natural on every occasion.

Two games stand apart from the lot, however, as being his pet loves. These are cricket and softball, in that order.

Buji's league cricket career began during his school days at King George V School. He played in the second division at the time, and on leaving school joined up with Craftsmen's Cricket Club for whom he has been a regular member of the first team ever since.

Buji plays us in most sports an all-round game of cricket. He bowls a medium to fast in-swinging (to a right hander), once in a while he sends down a "chinaman" and then chuckles to himself. He gets hampered to the boundary and he is a very steady and stylish bat when he is not tempted to make one of his famous "softball" strokes.

Terrible Twins

Joking apart, however, Buji has proved himself while playing for his Club and for the Colony to be a tremendous asset to the side.

You have probably heard of CCC's "terrible twins". Buji is one of them, the other is George Souza. When these two get together, bowlers have a headache, for they go on a hit-and-run spree that's enough to discourage the most undisciplinable.

Buji has been to Malaya on a couple of occasions, once with the Hongkong Services XI and the next time with the Hongkong Inter-port team. In the latter tour, playing against various State sides as well as the Malaya Interport squad, Buji became well-known with the bowlers over there as a real hard-hitter. He told me he scored a couple of 50's during the series.

Rough Time

He played against the Malaysians when they visited these shores in 1955 and also against the Singapore Services XI that played here in 1956. On the latter occasion, if my memory does not fail me, I recall that Buji gave our Malaysian friends quite a rough time with his medium-fast deliveries.

Buji feels, however, that his best performance to date was when he took nine wickets for only 18 runs against KCC years before last, and when he carried his bat for 80 against

the Hongkong Cricket Club Optimists last year.

"What's your pet shot, Buji?" I asked. "A cross bat," was his curt reply. He admitted later that he held preference to the hook — a natural stroke for a softballer.

Softball

In softball, Buji has played mostly for the Braves and he has cleared the fence with some lofty drives on several occasions. He has also played for the Blackhawks.

Whether it's cricket or softball, hockey or football, rugby or tennis, I personally feel it will be a long time before we come up with an all-round player of Buji's calibre.

South Africa's Cricket Prodigy

Johannesburg, Nov. 27. Al Barker, 15-year-old schoolboy batsman, has impressed cricket officials here by scoring more than 800 runs so far this summer.

A tall, solidly built youth, who bats right handed and can also keep wicket, he has scored four centuries for his school and a 60 out of 120 against Old Johannesburg, a Transvaal senior league team — China Mail Special.

Rules Clear On Protests Based On Decisions Involving Judgment

By "TIME OUT"

It is a good rule in life never to apologise. The right sort of people do not want apologies and the wrong sort invariably take mean advantage of them.

I only hope Fred Diesta Sr does not belong to the latter class because quite unwittingly I gave readers of this column the impression that in the course of his duties as a plate umpire during the Seminoles versus Pandas softball match two short weeks ago his decision to call off this particular match in the sixth inning was influenced by the fact that his own team the Dodgers were scheduled to play off the final game of the day and that completing the seventh and final frame of the Senior match would have resulted in a subsequent delay and possible curtailment of Diesta's own game.

The inference in my remarks was unfortunate and regrettable.

Anyway, having met Diesta half-way and knowing that the Pandas had sent in an official protest against his decision I decided to investigate the facts and came up instead with something infinitely more interesting while I was making a nuisance of myself with the Softball Association.

The wording of the protest on the scoresheet reads, "Pandas protest because the plate umpire called off the game at the sixth inning" and no reference is made anywhere to the relevant section of the rules under which the protest is made.

In other words it is an official protest (followed up by a letter from the Pandas) based on a decision involving JUDGMENT and not a technicality.

Absolute Farce

The Council decided to ask Ed Carvalho, Seminoles manager to play off the last inning rather than go to all the inconvenience of getting together a Protest Board to hear the case.

In the event of Carvalho's refusal then the Council would consider the protest on its merits or otherwise! What an absolute farce this is because the rules are quite clear that protests involving accuracy

of judgment on the part of an umpire CANNOT be accepted.

This is a shocking example of the work of the Council whose members, up to now, I had credited with more than the usual quota of sense in administrative matters.

Anyhow I am aware there is a time factor involved since this disputed match started 30 odd minutes late but that is a horse of another colour. So I decided to investigate further and I found out that the preceding game, between the Matadors and Foresters was not even official.

Only Four Innings

Only FOUR innings had been played off when the game was called with the score 13-3 in favour of the Matadors. We all know that a softball game cannot be considered as a "regulation" match until FIVE or more complete innings have been played and I for one am very much surprised that the plate umpire and the team managers involved showed so little respect for the rule book.

Ignorance is bliss, the trio must be walking on air even now! Now for the week-end matches. The Stardusts and the Comets should account for the Austers and the Eagles respectively in the two Junior games down for

decision tomorrow.

The Hurricanes take on the Overseas in a ladies' match at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday to open the day's programme.

The Hurricanes' Frances da Silva's windmill pitching last week was in the opinion of one spectator "terrible". In spite of this the Overseas are unlikely to cause an upset.

Crucial Game

The Senior game at 11.00 a.m. between the peripatetic-conscious Cheyennes and the rejuvenated US Navy team the "Pickaway" has been postponed.

The afternoon matches feature the Cardinals against the Dodgers and the Cheyennes against the Overseas. The undisciplined Cheyennes are tipped to win and so are the Dodgers.

A lot is being said about the Cards' Sonny Machado's hurling these days. It will be up to Diesta and company to explode this myth of Machado's invincibility on the mound by sending him to the showers early in the game and when you recall the Filipinos' tremendous batting power and the pair of hits the Cards got off the Stardusts' Gabriel Vempin what other forecast can you possibly make? This is a crucial game for both sides and the better team-work of the Dodgers should see them through.

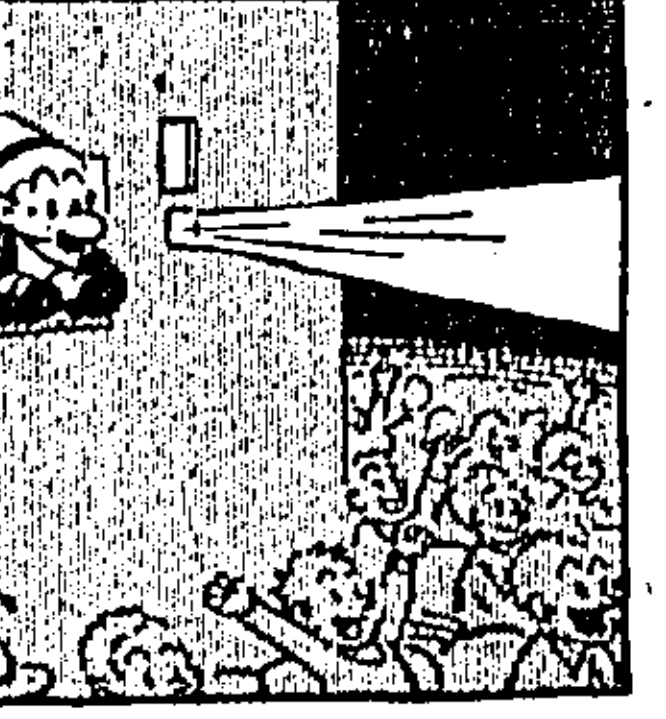
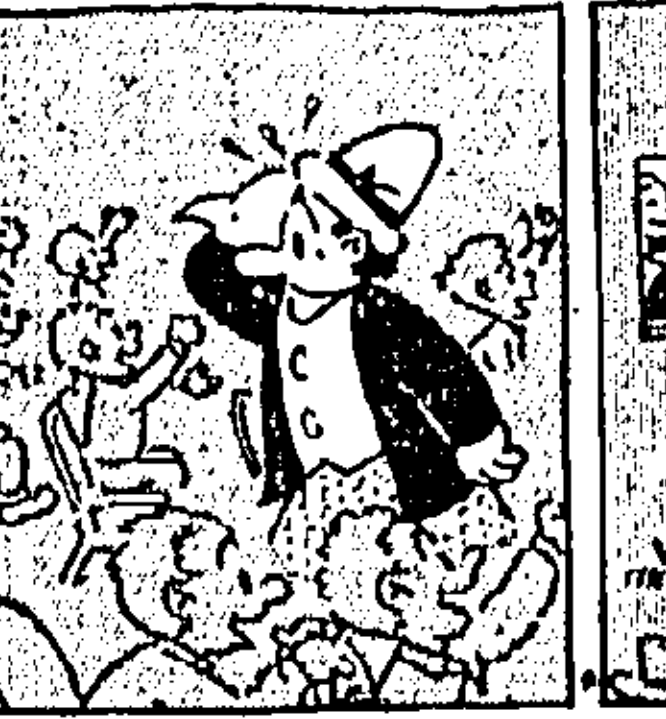
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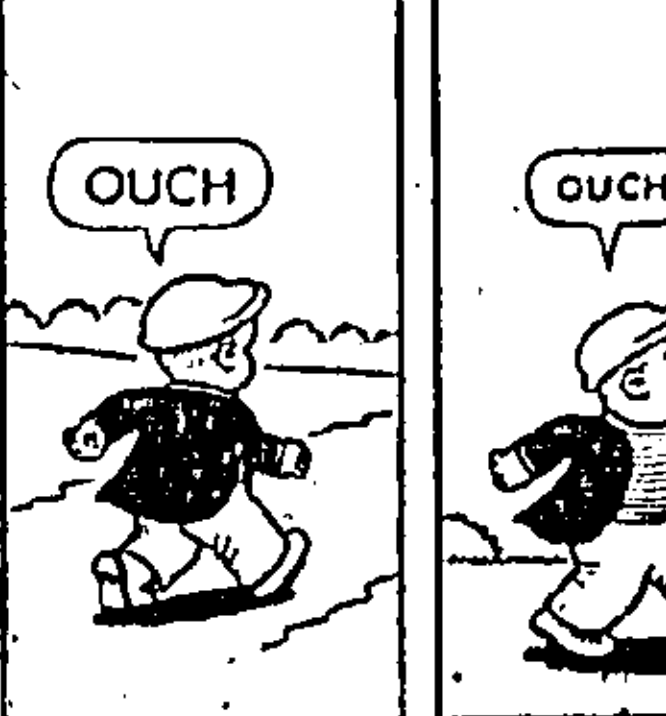
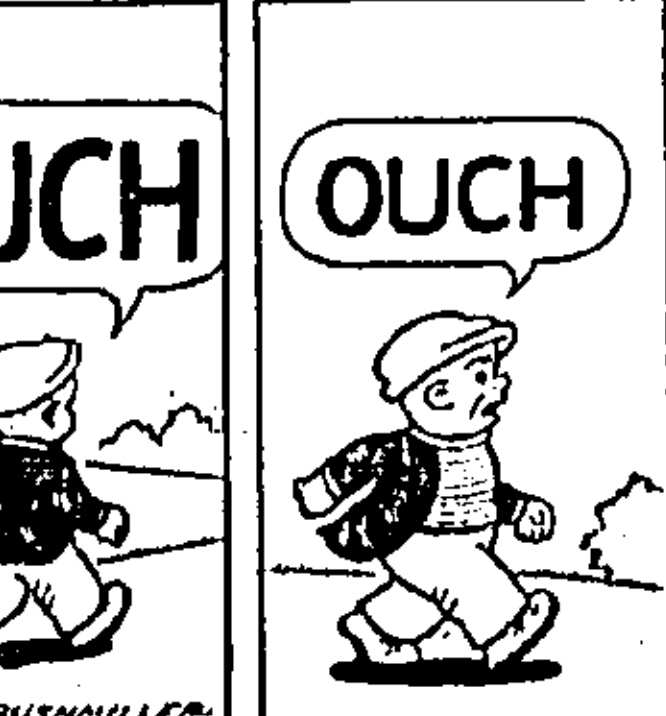
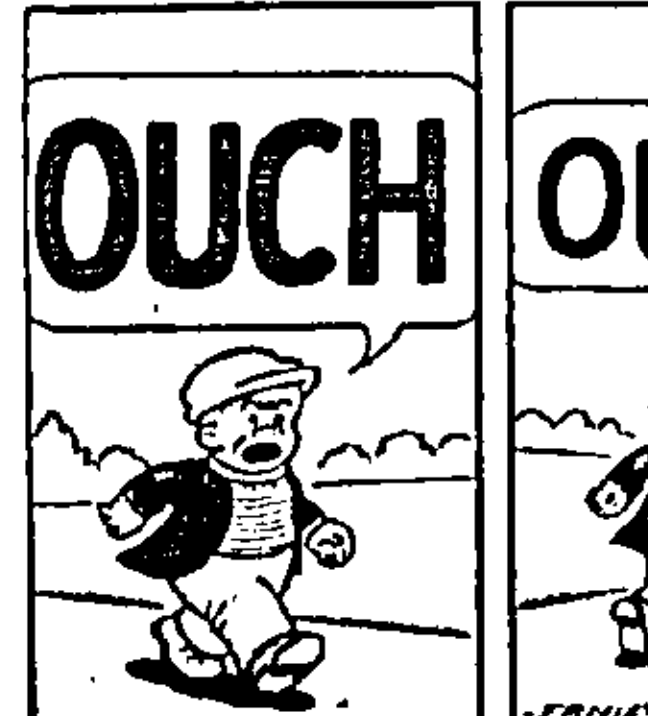
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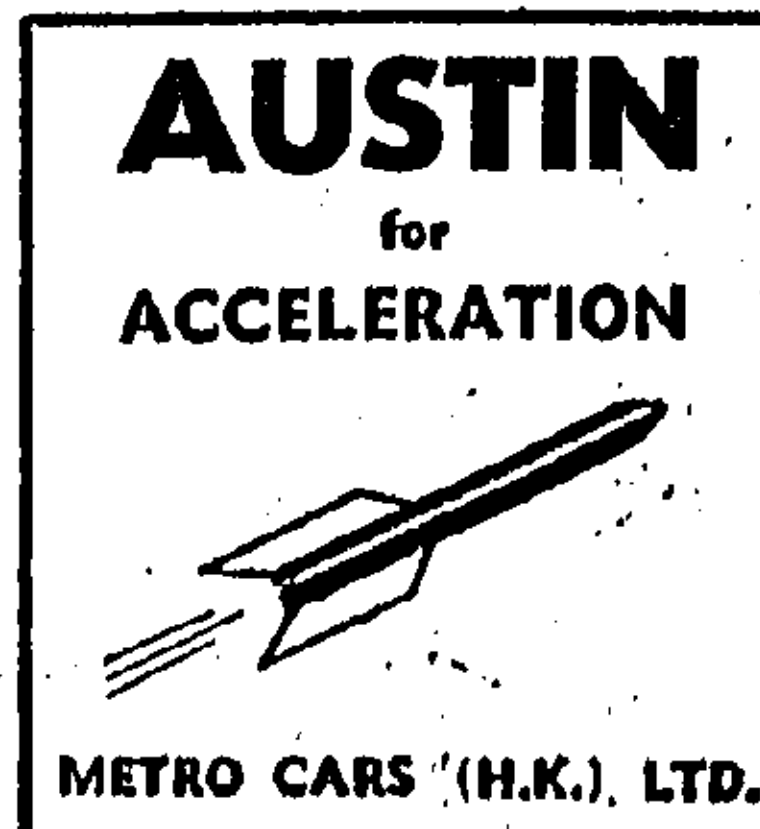
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Construction work is expected to begin in February on quarters for the nursing staff and the nursing school for the new Kowloon Hospital. The quarters will be contained in a twelve-storey block capable of accommodating 350 probationer nurses.

It was announced earlier this week, that the Hospital will be named the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Prince Philip will lay the foundation stone early next March.

The dining rooms, sitting rooms, practical rooms, and other facilities of the nursing quarters will be situated on the ground floor. A part of the top floor will be taken up by dormitory rooms.

There will be a large radiological section, to be named the Hongkong Jockey Club Radiological Institute and a physiotherapy section, which will serve both the hospital and Government clinics in Kowloon.

Kai Tak Fete

A Bazaar and fete has been organised by the R.A.F. Kai Tak Wives Club to be held on the airfield at 2.30 p.m. tomorrow afternoon.

Sections of the R.A.F. Station are helping with the many side shows. The main purpose is to raise funds to assist R.A.F. Kai Tak to give its annual Christmas Party to some of the underprivileged Chinese children who live in the vicinity of the airfield.

Struck Off

The Government Gazette today notified that the names of the following companies have been struck off the company Register as from November 28:

Excavation

Meanwhile, excavation work is now proceeding on the site of the hospital which, when completed in 1962, will contain about 1,300 beds together with operation theatres, and specialists' departments.

Government Appointments Gazetted

The Government Gazette today announced the following appointments, transfers, promotions and postings:

Mr. N. B. Fraser to be Chief Officer, Class II.
Mr. Llewellyn Williams to be a Treasury Inspector.
Mr. J. J. Robson, Chief Engineer, resumed duty on return from leave.
Mr. A. Marr, Engineer, ceased to act as Chief Engineer.
Mr. V. D. Rumlantzeff, Engineer, ceased to act as Assistant Waterworks Engineer on proceeding on leave prior to retirement.

Mr. J. M. Pettigrew, Mechanical Engineer, to be Acting Assistant Waterworks Engineer, vice Mr. Rumlantzeff.
Mr. K. J. Attwell, Assistant Director of Education, resumed duty on return from leave.
Mr. J. W. Cockburn, Senior Education Officer, to be Acting Assistant Director of Education, vice Mr. W. J. Dyer on leave prior to retirement.

Mr. H. N. Williamson, Senior Principal, resumed duty on return from leave.

Mr. C. M. McKwan, Organiser of Physical Training, ceased to act as Senior Education Officer.

Mr. J. Kirkwood, Education Officer, ceased to act as Organiser of Physical Training on assumption of duty by Mr. McKwan.

Mr. Wong Yin-sit ceased to be a Sub-Inspector of Schools.

Mr. Chow Nai-chung to be an Inspector of Schools.

Mr. F. R. J. Lillywhite, Air Traffic Control Officer, Class II, to be Air Traffic Control Officer, Class I.

Mr. Mak Sik-luen, Superintendent of Mails, to be Assistant Controller of Posts.

Mr. Tam Wang-to to be a Food Officer, New Territories.

Man Allegedly Threw Away Box Of Heroin

Stopped by a constable in the street, a man threw down a cardboard box he was carrying which was found to contain over four and a half pounds of heroin powder, it was alleged in the Victoria District Court this morning.

In the dock was Cheng Kai-fuk, 28, unemployed. He pleaded not guilty before Judge B. J. Jennings to charges of possession of the heroin.

P. C. Lee Mun, of Hung Hom Police Station, testified that at about 2.15 p.m. on July 30, he saw two men in Ngan Hei Street, one walking four or five yards in front of the other.

The one in front, whom he identified as the accused, had on his left shoulder a cardboard box of the type usually used for carrying oranges.

Short Chase

Witness said he stopped the man. When asked what was in the box, Cheng, it was alleged, did not answer, but threw the box down and ran away.

He was caught after a short chase. The other man disappeared in the direction of Ma Tau Wei Road.

Lee said he searched Cheng and found about \$10 in his left breast pocket. In his trouser watch pocket he found about \$1,000.

Cheng after counting it, said he was carrying the money to a friend who was waiting for him in the box.

He replied that he did not know. The constable opened the box and found some transparent paper packages.

From Walled City

"I asked the accused where he got the box from and he said from the walled city," witness went on.

Lee said he suspected the white powder was heroin, and he cautioned Cheng. The latter said nothing in reply. He took Cheng and the box with its contents to the police station.

Hearing is proceeding.

Mr. Patrick Yu is defending Cheng, instructed by Mr. C. P. Lai, of Peter Mo and Co.

Concert Programme Was Too Long

By D. E. GRAY

LAST night in Loke Yew Hall, the first public concert of this season of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society's Orchestra, was given in conjunction with the Hongkong Singers and the Hongkong Oratorio Society. A serious weakness of this concert was that the programme was too long.

The Orchestra took the main burden of the concert and opened with the Overture to Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro". This was well within the technical competence of the Orchestra, but the tempo was too slow—the cause of this was obviously the conductor's beat, and succeeded, to some extent, in dragging the Orchestra with him.

The triangle in moderation can be very effective, but for some obscure reason Mozart used it to excess in this work. It was good to hear the notes of the Orchestra's new kettle drums. What a change from the "noise" of the instruments which have at long last been discarded!

The Lladov group of Russian Songs are delightful, and they were well played, and what a pleasure it was to hear the plaintive notes of the Cor Anglais and the solo cello passage!

The Orchestra paid tribute to the recent death of Vaughan Williams by closing the first half of the concert with his English Folk Song Suite. Folk songs are usually charming, and the orchestra did them full justice.

The main work of the evening was Handel's "Acis and Galatea." I doubt whether this was a wise choice for a Hongkong audience, when there are so many other works for choir and orchestra well within the ability of all organisations taking part.

"Acis" is a youthful work originally composed in 1719, but later revised in 1732 (as a result of Arne's attempt to purloin the work). It was revised in a hurry when Handel was in a furious rage with Dr. Arne. With the greatest respect to Handel, there is far too much repetition (considering the enormous amount of solo work), and too little chorus.

The choir sang for over 75 per cent of the performance.

During those rare moments when choir and orchestra were performing together, it was good to know that we were listening to a noble character, and quite well-toned, that highest of all musical forms. For the orchestra the music was easy to play, and to the players it must at times have seemed dull. But most listeners will agree that joint efforts of this kind, when the music is of a nobler character, will be welcomed.

Little purpose is served by commenting in detail on the soloists who shouldered such a big burden in "Acis" and

Galatea". All sang very well, but of course, Patti Duncan's delightful voice reminded one, as always, that in her we have with us a very fine professional singer.

The Philharmonic Orchestra generally was up to its usual standard. It is of course, as in the past, an amateur orchestra. The string bass section was in good form, the cello section (because of the everlasting shortage of good cellists in Hongkong) was somewhat thin.

The violins, particularly the first violin section, led by Dr. Bard, played well, although it is recognised that more good players are needed here too.

It is rewarding to see that local choirs and orchestra can get together in Hongkong and produce a very creditable performance. We look forward to hearing more of this combination.

Next Thursday, at the Queen Elizabeth School, Kowloon, the performance will be repeated.

Road To Be Widened

As part of the improvement of Kwun Tong Road, about 400,000 cubic yards of rock are to be removed at a narrow section of the road between the Royal Air Force gates and the Amoy Canning Factory.

This narrow section of road is bounded on the south side by the Royal Air Force station and on the north side by a face of rock.

Today's Government Gazette calls for tenders for the removal of the rock by quarrying to provide increased formation width for the road and some area for development.

Work is expected to begin in about two months' time.

Suspects Arrested

The Police have arrested two men following the snatching of a purse from a Chinese woman in Canton Road and an attempt to steal a finger ring from another Chinese woman on the staircase of No. 34 Hol King Street, yesterday.

New Buildings For Police Training School

Two new buildings will be constructed at the Police Training School, Aberdeen early next year to provide barrack accommodation for 128 constables and living quarters for 32 officers of the Inspectorate.

Both the one-storey buildings will be of similar construction, having a concrete frame and concrete block walls.

The inspectors' quarters will consist of a dining room, and eight bed rooms, each accommodating four inspectors.

Tenders for the work, which should begin at the end of January and be completed by the end of May, are called for in today's Government Gazette.

New JP

Mr. C. A. R. Wilson has been appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Colony, as notified in today's Government Gazette.

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Government of the colony from 1947 to 1957.

The first phase was "one of negative hostility and positive unpleasantness," the second "merely of negative hostility," and then came the addition of "a campaign of sweetness and light."

At this time, "they were trying to woo the Chinese in Hongkong and more particularly the leaders of the Chinese community, whether in business, banking or what-have-you."

"They played down the Communist side of the regime and played up the mother China idea and the great achievements of this new regime."

This continued through 1956 and 1957, to be followed by more "positive unpleasantness," which had now died down.

At first, he said, the people of Hongkong welcomed the new regime because they were "fed up with the corruption and the inefficiency of the previous regime."

But the people of Hongkong, who were in a good position to know what was going on across the border, were now "by and large... against the Red regime in China," Sir Alexander went on.

Yet the bulk of Hongkong people were not pro-Nationalist. "They say, 'A plague on both your houses. Let us live alone in British Hongkong where things may not be too good for those of us who are badly off but they are very much better than if we were either in mainland China or Formosa.'"

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Promotion

The appointment of Lt (S) A. Boyd-Cowan to Lieutenant-Commander in the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve has been approved, according to today's Government Gazette.

Two Reservoirs At North Point

Two new high level service reservoirs—one for fresh water and the other for salt water—are to be built above the Tin Hau Temple Road near the Braemar Reservoir at North Point.

The fresh water service reservoir, with a capacity of 1,000,000 gallons, will supply filtered water and the salt water service reservoir, with a capacity of 500,000 gallons, will supply water for flushing purposes.

Work on the two reservoirs, each of which will be 550 feet above sea level, is expected to begin in two months' time and take a year to complete.

Tenders for their construction are called for in today's Government Gazette.

Cheung Chau Land For Sale

Two lots of building and garden land at Cheung Chau Island will be sold at a public auction at the District Office, N.T., at Gascoigne Road, on December 18.

Situated at The Peak, Cheung Chau, the lots are 4,000 and 3,000 square feet. The upset price is at the rate of \$1 per square foot.

New Consuls

Mr. Kunyazu Tsuchida has been recognized, provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, as Consul for Japan at Hongkong, as notified in today's Government Gazette.

The Gazette also notified the formal recognition of M. Marcel Piffet as Vice-Consul for France at Hongkong.

Buxey Lodge To Be Pulled Down TO MAKE WAY FOR NEW FLATS

Buxey Lodge, a large old house in Conduit Road, now being used as hostel accommodation for single male Government officers, is to be pulled down early next year.

Tenders for the demolition work, which should commence in the middle of January and be completed in the middle of March, are called for in today's Government Gazette.

An eleven-storey block containing 60 flats for Government officers will be erected on the site. Each flat will have one main room and one, two or three bedrooms. In the larger flats one of these can be used as a dining room.

Garages

The ground floor will consist entirely of garages, entrances and caretakers' quarters. Within the site there will be a small fenced playground and additional parking spaces.

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